

1870-016
Lee Co.

Chancery Causes. John Colson & vs. Henry Colson &

Shumate, Snellan, Purcyfield, Hobbs, Hoskins, Orr, Richmond,
Graham, Hamblen, Harris, Wynn, Elliott, Bishop, Britain, Lorton,
Brent, Robinson, Shoemate, Crabtree, Fulton, McPherson, Ensor,
Pridemore, Carmark, Martin, Ball, McNeil, Tate, Roberts, Littrell,
Percyfield

-Deed

CA - Estate Dispute
T - Property
Slavery

To the honorable Judge of the Essex circuit court
in chancery now sitting, your orators and oratrixes
John Colson Aney Colson and David Colson Rebeca
Shoemate late Colson who intermarried with Baileys
Shoemate, and also the said Baileys Shoemate
Rachael Snelling late Colson who married James
A Snelling, and her husband the said James
A Snelling the said David being an infant:
who sue in this cause, By John Colson his
next friend, Humbly complaining respectfully
represents to your honor, that they are the chil-
dren and heirs at law of Aney Colson Sr &
George B Colson, who were sons and heirs
at law of John Colson Sr, that their said
grandfather John Colson Sr died intestate
in this county in the year of 1860, leaving
your orators and oratrixes a part of his heirs
at law, he also left other heirs Trist Wm
Colson Henry Colson Mary Percifield late
Colson who married Mount Percifield
Thomas Colson Noel Colson David Colson
and James B Colson, he also left the
following other grand children his heirs
at law, who are the children of sons and
daughters of his that have died, Trist
Noel Colson, James Colson ^{Shoemate late} ~~late~~ Colson
who intermarried with Samuel Shoemate
Jot Colson, Thomas Colson, Flora Colson
Elizabeth Colson, and Dinutha Hobbs
They further respectfully represent, that
their said grand father in his lifetime
owned a valuable tract of land in this

county near or at Walnut Hill, just before
his death his sons William and James, con-
siring to defraud him out of it, made him
drunk and procured him to convey it to them
for \$1000, a price greatly inadequate to its true
worth, they gave him their notes for the \$1000,
But never paid it. Their said grandfather
owned at his death also other property to wit
Six negroes four head of valuable horses worth
\$400, a number of cattle worth \$500, and 700
80 head of valuable hogs worth at least \$500, he
also owned house hold and kitchen furniture
farming utensils, worth in the aggregate
at least \$500, he had on hand at his death
money and choses in action but how
much money and what choses in action
or the value thereof, except what William
and James owed him for the land they
cannot tell. They further respectfully represent
to your honor, that after the death of their
said grandfather John Colson, his two sons
William Colson and James Colson
appeared before the proper court of Lee
county, and on their motion letters of
administration of all and singular
the goods & chattles rights and credits of
the decedent was granted to them, they
excepted the trust and in said court
entered into bond for the faithful
execution thereof with Lehadwell Brittain
A. K. Brant & N. Robinson and N. Y. Robinson as their
sureties. But for more and greater cer-

tainty the records of said court are referred
to as a part of this Bill. By which it will
more fully, and at large appear, a copy
of which in due time will be filed and
marked (A). They further respectfully
represent that the said William & James
Colson Admins as aforesaid took into
their possession all and singular the
goods & chattles rights and credits of the
decedent, sold or otherwise disposed of
the perishable property, hired out the negro
es at a large hire from year to year until
they were freed by the result of the late
war, collected all the debts or choses in
action due the estate, except the debt of
\$1000, on themselves for the land, and
the whole estate and proceeds thereof
they have applied to their private uses
they do not know whether they, ever
made an inventory of the estate or
not, but are advised they did not and
therefore charge that to be true, they
made from year to year large profits
- its on said estate, they are advised
the said Admins never settled or ac-
counted in any way for it and
they charge that fact to be true, they
do know & charge they were never paid
their distributable share of the same
they further represent and charge
a part of the land they by their fraudu-
lent practices and devices aforesaid

obtained from their father they, sold
to one George B. Hoskins who had full
notice at the time he purchased it of
them of the fraudulent means by which
they had obtained it, ^{as a part of} the rest of said
lunus is now in the possession of
James Colson, ^{as a part} and belongs to the
estate of William Colson, who has
since died childless and unmarried.
William Colson's heirs are the same
as John Colson's heirs whose names
are correctly set out in this Bill and
need not be repeated again. The said
William died intestate in the year of
1864 and no one applying for adminis-
tration of his estate the same was com-
mitted to the sheriff of Lee County, Texas
Wesley Orr who had previously qualified
as sheriff and gave Bond as such
with M. B. Richmond, David Orr, Wm. H. Watson, Leander
Hawkins, John C. Harris, John P. Orr, Alexander W. Gorn,
David M. Orr, Wm. Elliott, Alexander Orr, ^{John H. Wagon, Isaac T. Bishop,} as his
sureties. But for more certainty the
Bond of the said sheriff and order
committing the administration of
William's estate to him are here refer-
red to as parts of this Bill copies of
which in due time will be filed
and marked (B & C) by which it
will more fully and at large
appear. Your orators and counsel further
represents William died owner of a

Considerable real and personal estate
situate in this county, Besides his lands
he owned 12 steers one heifer one pair
of amirons one feather Bed, with the
necessary appendages a large amount
of corn wheat oats rye, hay and fodder
one swale one cow, also money and choses
in action, that the said sheriff has never
rendered any account for, he also owned
other personal property that the said
sheriff sold, he has rented and received
the rents of the land, from year to year
since his appointment to administer
his estate, but has never settled his
accounts, or paid the distributees any
thing of said estate, your orators and
orators are remediless at the common law
in the premises and can only have relief
in your honorable court, where a full
and complete account can be taken
and found against the said and
relieved against, they therefore pray
your honor to take cognizance of their
cause and grant them relief, they
pray that the deed of their grandfather
John conveying the lands near val
mont hill to William & James
Colson be set aside & held for naught
and that the claim of William and
the said James ^{Colson} & George H. Hoskins
be held to an account for the rents
& profits and issues of said land

and that the administrators of the
said John so deceased be compelled to
account for the whole estate of said
decedent and the profits they have
made by the use of the same, and
that distribution thereof be decreed
& ordered amongst those entitled
thereto upon the execution of proper
reforming bonds by the distributees
which your compliments here offers
to execute. That if the decree to
William & James for the value of the
lands is adjudged to be fraudulent &
set aside that the lands be partitioned
amongst those entitled thereto on equ-
itable principals, if not set aside
that the said James be compelled to
account for & pay over the \$1000 and
its interest they agree to pay for
it, as to the estate of their uncle
William they pray that the sheriff
or and his surties be compelled to
account for the same and pay over
to the distributees any excess beyond
what appears on such accounting
to be necessary to pay his debts and
the legal charges of administration
that his lands be partitioned
between those entitled thereto and
the debts profits and issues arising
from the same be accounted for
they pray for all such general &

special relief as their cause merits in
a court of equity. To that end they make
Henry Colson Mary Percifield and her husband
Mount Percifield, Thomas Colson Joel Colson
David Colson James B⁺ Colson, Joel Colson
James Colson Elizabeth Colson Shoemate
and her husband Samuel Shoemate
Job Colson, Thomas Colson, Flora Colson
Elizabeth Colson, Timothy Colson
and James W⁺ Orr, and ^{M⁺ B. Richards} ~~James W⁺ Orr~~
David Orr ^{James W⁺ Orr} ~~James W⁺ Orr~~ ^{James W⁺ Orr} ~~James W⁺ Orr~~
A. K. Brent & K. Robinson ~~A. K. Brent & K. Robinson~~
John P. Orr Alexander Wyman David M. Orr Wm. Elliott Alexander
Orr Ed Bishop John Wyman & Isaac T. Bishop
his surties as sheriff and

Chadwell Brittain A. K. Brent & Robinson and
H. F. Robinson
The surties of the above William &
James Colson, and George H. Hoskins
defendants to this Bill, and pray that
they be compelled to answer the same as
fully and completely as if set on
by way of special interrogatories, and
may it please your honor to award
them the commonwealths writ of spa-
ciamus &c, and as in duty
bound they will ever pray &c,

Burns & Wood
For Compliments

John Colson et al

vs Rice in chry

Henry Colson et al

Colson \$ 21.41

Att'y 15.00

Shuff 36.00

Comm. 12.00

G. A. Sitter 5.00

W. O. Davis Pub. 26.00

Q. P. for Defco 8.35

Com. for S. H. 4.60

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John Colson et als.
vs. } Bill in Chancery.
Henry Colson et als.

1866 Nov. Bill Filed & Decree nisi vs Resident
Defendants, and Continued
Decr. Decree nisi Compulsory as to Resident
and continued as to the Respondents
1867 January Rules - Continued
February Amended Bill Filed, &
Order Publication against Nonresidents read
March. Continued for Publication
April Pub. Compulsory & Decree nisi read
May Decree nisi Compulsory vs. own Res. by the
June Answer of J.B. Colson to amended
Bill filed & Continued
July - A.L. Bridmore appointed Guardian
for Job. Thomas, Flora and Elizabeth Colson and
Timothy Hobbs Infant Ditts in this cause & Con
Aug. Ans. of Guardian ad litem filed & read
Sept. Cause set for hearing by the Court
1867 Oct. Term - Continued
1868 April Decree for Accounts
1868. Sept. Continued
1869. April Decree & Continued.
Sept. Continued
1870. Dismissed at J.B. Colson's Costs & costs

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To the honorable Judge of the Lee circuit court
in chancery now sitting. The amended Bill
of John Colson Arrey Colson David Colson
Rebecca Shoemate Baileys Shoemate Rachael
Snelling & James F. Snelling, to their original
Bill heretofore filed in this honorable court
against Henry Colson and others defendants
named in the said original Bill, without
waiving any thing contained or alleged in
their original Bill But hereby reiterating
the same, Except so far as this amendment
states facts inconsistent with the same. These
complainants Begs Leave to amend their said
original Bill as follows. They charge that
at the time and Long before John Colson
Sr made the deed conveying the Land to Will-
iam & James Colson referred to in the origi-
nal Bill, he said John by age and disease
was so impaired in his rational faculties
as not to possess a mind legally capable of
making a valid contract, and that the
said deeds to James & William is therefore
null & void, and should be so held and pro-
nounced by your honor. They further repre-
sent and charge that John Colson Sr in his
lifetime had given by way of advancement
to his sons John Colson, Thomas Colson, James
B. Colson William Colson & Henry Colson and
his daughter Mary Percifield, and ^{his sons} David
Colson & Joel Colson Lands money Slaves
& other personal property, the precise amount
of Land, money Slaves or personal property

given to each of them they cannot state
he never give to your complainants or their
ancesters any thing by way of advancement
they therefore pray that in the division of
the residue of the estate of John Colson or
amongst those entitled thereto that your
complainants be equalized with those children
who have been advanced and that those
children who have been advanced be compelled
to answer and discover, what they received
of their father John Colson by way of advance-
ment, wheather land shares personal
property or money how much and of
what value, and that they be compelled
to bring it into such ~~such~~ account with
the other estate of the decedent before they
be allowed to participate in the division
they pray as in their original.

Burns & Wood

John Colson et al
vs { amended
Bill

Henry Colson et al

To the Hon. Jas. A. Campbell, judge of the Circuit Court of Lee County.

The separate answer of James H. Orr to the bill of complaint, exhibited against him & others in this Honorable Court by John Colson, Arvey Colson & others.

This Respondent, saving & reserving all just & proper exceptions to the mistakes & errors both of law & fact in Compl. to bill, for answer thereto or to so much thereof as he is advised it is material for him to answer, answering says, - He knows nothing of his own knowledge as to circumstances & character of the sale of the land in the bill mentioned to James & Wm Colson - whether it was fair & upright or fraudulent & dishonest. Resp^t knows & admits that John Colson Sr died at or near the time in the bill mentioned, - and that W^m Colson, upon whose estate Resp^t is by virtue of the order of the County Court of Lee County Comr, died sometime in 1864 as stated in the bill. Respondent is advised (as he knows nothing of the manner in which the administrators of John Colson Sr have discharged their duty) that it is sufficient for him, to answer as to his administration upon the estate of W^m Colson dec^d. Respondent has no interest or concern, official or personal, in any other branch of the bill.

Respondent being Sheriff of Lee County, as he still is, was appointed to said administration as set out in the bill of Complainants - & the ^{simultaneous} order of the Court committing the estate of W^m Colson dec^d to him was made & entered at the June Term 1866, according to Respondent's recollection at this time. Respondent proceeded promptly to take charge & possession of all the assets of this said intestate which were in existence & to be found. He further made an inventory of all the personal property & choses in

in action of the said estate, a copy of which is
herewith filed marked "R". Respondent appointed
as early in date as he could consistently with his duties as Sheriff of the County,
which was in pursuance thereof made on the 28th
day of July last (1866), a copy of the sale bill
is herewith filed, marked "Y". The property was
sold upon a credit of six months, bond with approved
security being required of all purchasers, for sums both
large & small. Respondent as he was appointed Admin^r
made prompt & diligent search for all ^{the} personal
property of Wm Colson's estate - and the above ^{copy of the} inventory
exhibits it in full. As to the real estate it is wholly
untrue that Respondent has ever received any rents or
profits arising therefrom. After his appointment
as Admin^r, Respondent ~~sought~~ ^{sought} advice as to whether he should
assume control of the real estate of his intestate, and
was advised that he might do so or not as he preferred;
he did not however, assume possession or any control
over the real estate until he has been urged and requested
by a number of the legal heirs thereto to do so - among
them James F. Snelling, one of the Compel^{ts}. At the
request of the said heirs Respondent rented said real
estate for one year commencing about the
day of 1866, for \$135.00 taking bond with
surety to secure the same.

Respondent having answered as
fully as he is advised it is material or necessary
for him to answer, & expressly denying all matters
having reference to Respondent, or in which he has any
legal or equitable interest, as made in Complainant's bill
so far as said matters are not heretofore denied, admitted
or avoided, prays to be hence dismissed with his reasonable
costs &c.

Sworn to by Jas H. Orr
deposited me this day of 1866

Campbell & James
for def^t

Sworn to before me by James H. Orr this, the 23rd day
of April 1867.

Henry J. Morgan Clerk
Circuit Court of Lee County.

Chd.

James W. Orr
ads *Answer*

John Colson & others

To the Hon. John A. Campbell judge of
the Circuit Court of Lee County.
The answer of John Colson, Thomas Colson,
Lora Colson, Elizabeth Colson, and
Timothy Hobbs infants defendants to the bill
filed in this court by John Colson et al
against these defendants et al, by
A. L. Priddy their guardian ad litem,
Respondent saving the benefit of all just
and proper exceptions to said bill.

For answer says that he cannot gainsay
the facts set forth in said bill nor have
his said wards at law informed him of
anything which contradicts the statements
therein. But as they are of tender years and
not competent to fully understand their
legal rights; he throws them upon this Court
for protection, the peculiar guardian
of infants; and asks that the pl. ff be
held to strict proof of all matters set forth
in his pleadings, which might have a
tendency to prejudice these infants.

And having now answered all that
it is material to answer prays hence
to be dismissed of costs.

See \$500

A. L. Dickmeyer
Guardian ad litem

Answer

This was filed at Aug
Riles 1867.

H. J. Morgan lb

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To the Honorable John A. Campbell Judge
of the Circuit Court of Lee County

The separate answer of James B. Colson
to the Bill of Complaint exhibited against
him and others by John Colson & Mary
Colson and others in this honorable Court

This Respondent demurs to said Bill
for Multiplicity, and a misjoinder
of parties and says that the same is
insufficient in law wherefore &c

And if any further answer is required
of this Respondent after reserving all just
and proper exceptions to said Bill for
its manifold errors, uncertainties and
mistake of matters both of law
and fact answering says, that it is true
that John Colson departed this life
about the time mentioned in Complaint
Bill. in date, and that the heirs at law
of said John Colson are correctly
recited in the Bill of Complaint, so
far as this Respondent is informed or
believes. It is true that John Colson in his
lifetime was seized and possessed of a tract of
land containing eighty three acres adjoining
the Walnut Hill farm in the lower end
of this County, this tract was the remnant
or residue of a much larger tract of land
formerly owned by said John Colson and
most of which had been disposed of by
the said John Colson many years previous
to his death, as is evidenced by his deeds

of record in the Clerks Office of the County Court of Lee County, to which deeds reference is hereby specially made, your Ancestor and his deceased brother William were the owners of portions of this large tract of land by deeds to the same from their father the said John Colson in his lifetime, Deeds of said deeds will be hereafter filed marked respectively (1+2) This eighty three acres owned by John Colson a short time before his death and referred to in Compts Bill consisted of a narrow strip of land lying between your Ancestors land and the lands of his brother William, therefore derived from their father and was of little or no value to the said John Colson or to any one else except your Respondent and his brother William, except a small portion that joined George H. Hoskins, consisting of some 17 acres or thereabouts, which his said brother sold and conveyed to the said Hoskins in his lifetime. Your Respondent expressly denies the charge of fraud contained in Compts Bill against himself and his brother William, in regard to the purchase of this land. In regard to the charge that this Respondent and his brother William made their father drunk and procured the conveyance aforesaid this Respondent not only denies but charges that said allegation is untrue and wickedly false. This Respondent alleges that the Contract between him & his brother William, with his father, ^{for the largest of land} which Contract is evidenced by Deed of record in the

Clerks Office of this

County and a copy of which is herewith exhibited marked (3) was a bona-fide Contract founded upon a valuable consideration and was entirely free from fraud, that the said John Colson was entirely in his right mind and in the full possession of all his faculties and was executed about one year before his death. That the said John Colson never complained of it during his lifetime and never expressed any dissatisfaction with it and your Respondent will here state that for years previous to this Contract and up to the date of his death, this Respondent and his brother William supplied all their fathers wants when sick and nursed and waited on him when sick without ever demanding or making a charge for said services, thus rendered.

It is true that Respondent & his brother executed to their father two notes of \$500.00 each for said tract of land, which they allege is true as it was a fair price for the same, and said notes are still unpaid.

In reply to the charges of Compts Bill that their Grand father left divers descriptions of property mentioned in the Bill your Respondent says it is untrue as alleged, and states that he returned to the Clerks Office of this County a true and correct inventory and sole bill of the personal estate of his father both of which are of record in the proper office of this County, and copies of which will be exhibited with this answer if deemed necessary by your Honor, your Respondent and William Colson did obtain,

Letters of administration upon their father's estate as alleged in Compt's Bill. They did as required by their oath of office to sell all the property of their said father directed by law to be sold upon a credit of twelve months, taking bond with approved security from the purchasers, which bonds your Respondent as surviving administrator still holds being unwilling to receive Confederate money in payment of same & the collection of which is now prevented by reason of the stay law.

In regard to the negroes spoken of in Bill this Respondent begs leave to state that there are negroes consisted of a negro man, a woman and four small children that the negro man ran away in September 1863 and left the woman and children as a charge on Respondent's hands, which he cared for and supported at his own expense until they were emancipated by operation of law. He ~~is~~ therefore submits to whom and from whom compensation would be due under this charge. Said negroes never were hired out because at the time they came into possession of Adm^r the war was upon us, and it was as much as their labour was worth to support them.

Your Respondent expressly denies that as administrator he ever had in his possession ^{any land} of the said John Colson, or that he ever received any profits arising from use or occupation or rents of any such land.

The reason no settlement of the estate of John Colson has never been made by the Administrator has already been sufficiently stated

And this Respondent respectfully conceives
ought to be a cause of gratulation rather
than complaint upon the part of the
distributors.

Your Respondent will state that after he
and his brother William purchased this
83 acres of land from their father they
divided it between themselves, and this
Respondent is now in possession of
his portion of it under and by virtue
of a deed to the same from his brother
and cotenant William Colson.

This Respondent having answered Compt.
Bill as fully as he is advised it is material
for him to answer and expressly denying
all material allegations contained therein
not heretofore denied admitted or
avoided prays to be hence dismissed
with his costs in this behalf expended.

Done, Campbell & Herrin

Subscribed by James B. Colson

for Deft.

before me this 21st day of

November 1866.

Henry J. Morgan Clerk

James B. Colson

adrs } Answer

John Colson et al

Ad. 25

To the Hon^{ble}. A Campbell Judge &c
Circuit Court of La Crosse

The separate answer of James B. Colson to the ^{amended} Bill of Complaint Exhibited in this Court by John Colson & others against this Respondent.

Respondent demurs to said amended bill & says the same is insufficient in law. Wherefore &c.

And if any additional or further answer be necessary, this Respondent, saving & reserving all just exceptions to the many errors both of law & fact contained in said Bill, for answer thereto or to so much thereof as he is advised it is material for him to answer, answering says: So far as Complaints in their Amended Bill reiterate the allegations of their Orig: Bill, so far does Respondent beg to refer Your Honor for answer thereto to Respondent's former Answer.

To the Charge of the Amended Bill, to the effect that John Colson father of Resp^t was incapable mentally of making a valid deed, Respondent answer by direct & positive denial. Said John Colson at the time he executed said deed was nearly or quite ninety years of age & was of course not in the full and vigorous enjoyment of his faculties as he had been years before. He. was an old fashioned back-woods man, of some eccentricities that increased with his age. He was a baptist by profession much given to reading the sacred Scriptures and remarkable for the fullness & accuracy of his memory on subjects & passages of the Scriptures considering ~~this~~ circumstances & condition in life &c.

At times he was very jovial & jocular, - always cheerful, amiable & even-tempered. And although he ceased to take an active interest in the accumulation or care of property after he had made to his children the various conveyances which appear in this suit: yet his mind was clear & his judgment sound.

The only advancement ever made by his father to this Respondent was ~~Six~~ hundred dollars (\$600) - the consideration of a tract of land conveyed by deed ^{July 13th 1846} a copy of which is herewith filed, marked "G" - made by the old man on the day it bears date, acknowledging the receipt of the purchase money, \$600. Said record at page 176 Book 10, in the Office of County Court Clerk La Co.

Respondent declines to come into partition & distribution with the other coparceners & distributees of John Coleman's estate: he elects to retain the said advancement & not go into part.

And now having fully answered the interrogatories made and returned by him in this behalf sustained &c.

Respectfully,
J. B. Morgan

Personally appeared J. B. Morgan Respondent in the foregoing answer & made oath that the facts therein stated are true to the best of his knowledge & belief, before me in open Court this April 23rd 1867.

H. F. Morgan Clerk

Ch. H. H.
James B. Colson
ad. 3 Answer to Amended Bill
John Colson to them

1867. June Rules. This answer filed



Colson vs Colson ~~Amo &c~~

This day ~~came~~ the parties and the p[ar]ty herein
moved the court to correct a clerical error

appearing in the former decree of the court in
this suit that the said former decree of the
court adjudges the de[ft] Henry Colson to
pay the costs when it should have adjudged
the costs against James Colson, and the de[ft]
waived in court any notice of said motion
and entered their appearance to said mot
ion and the court doth ~~adjudge~~ order
decree that the Judgment of this court
heretofore rendered so far as it charges
Henry Colson with the costs is set aside
reversed & annulled, and it is now decreed
& ordered that the p[ar]ty recover of the de[ft]
James Colson their costs in this suit
expended, and the parties are hence
dismissed & the cause stricken from
the docket.



Colson et al
vs } Trial
 } Decree

Colson et al

Entered June 4th 1870.

C.B. 120.121.

J. M. M. & cks.

Enter this decree

J. M. M. & cks.

June 4-70

John Colson et als Compls

VS

Henry Colson et als Defts

Decree

This cause againe came on to be heard on the Bill answer proof in the cause and commissioners report, ^{and exceptions thereto} and was argued by counsel, and the court being sufficiently advised, was advised as decrees and orders that the Exceptions to the commissioners report be overruled and the said report shewing a balance in the hands of the Administrator of the estate of John Colson deceased of \$1670.22 is approved and confirmed. It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed that the said Administrator distribute and pay to the heirs of the decedent the said sum of \$1670.22 ^{with interest thereon at the rate of 6 per cent primum from the date of \$1670.22} taking from them bonds to refund the same or so much thereof as ^{may} be necessary to pay any debt or liability that might hereafter be successfully asserted against him as sum of the decedent's distribution and payment by the sum of said sum to the heirs of the decedent must be made in the following proportions: The said sum must be divided into so many parts as the decedent John Colson had children living at his death, and so many parts as he had children that had died before their father leaving, ^{1 a child or} children living at the death of the decedent John Colson he must then pay to each living child of the decedent ~~to~~ one equal part and to all the children of any son or daughter of his that has died ~~part~~ to be equally divided

amongst them, a sum equal to what he is required to pay, to ~~the~~ a living child of the decedent John Colson, or in other words just so much as the father or mother of such living child or children of the decedent would have been entitled to if he or she had been living, and where any child of the decedent John Colson, has died since the father John Colson has died leaving no child or widow then the part such child would have received if living must be paid to the Administrator or Executor of such deceased child. It is further ~~expressed~~ decreed & ordered, that the complainant recover of Henry Colson the costs of this suit to be taxed by the clerk, to be levied & collection of the assets in the hands of the same administrator, all other matters are reserved & this decree is entered.

John Colson et al

vs

Decree

Henry Colson et al

Enter this decree

John W. Johnston

April 30. 1869

Entered for 71

St. J. Morgan Jr

Shall be against
John W. Johnston
et al

John Colson et al	}	Peto
vs		Inchy
Henry Colson et al		Defts

This cause came on this day to be heard on the bill and the ~~answer~~ amended bill, the answers of James B. Colson and of James H. Orr to said bills and the answer of Job. Colson, Thomas Colson, Flora Colson and Timothy ~~Colson~~ Elizabeth Colson and Timothy Hobbs infants by A. L. Pridmore their guardian ad litem, thereto. The exhibits filed, the deposition of witnesses and was argued by counsel, and order of publication having been duly posted and published as to the nonresident defendants and more than two months having ^{since} elapsed without still failing to appear and answer, the bills as to them are taken for confessed. On consideration whereof it is adjudged ordered and decreed, that so far as the bills seek to set aside and annul the deed from John Colson Sr. to James B. and Wm. C. Colson, the same are dismissed with costs, but as to the other objects sought by plaintiffs their bills are sustained. And it is further ordered that Comr Henry J. Morgan do settle and adjust the administration accounts of the Administrators of John Colson Sr deceased and of William C. Colson deceased, stating specially any matter thought pertinent by himself or required by either party, so to be stated, and to this end he shall have access to all the books & papers pertaining thereto & have power to examine witnesses. He shall report to the next term of this court and this cause is continued.

John Colson, et al

or $\frac{1}{2}$ Secue

Henry Colson et al

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John W. Colson }
 Anna Colson }
 David Colson }
 and other }
 VS }
 James B. Colson }
 and others }
 in the Chancery Court
 of Lee County State of
 Virginia depositions
 of Job B. Brabtree and
 H. J. Talton witnesses
 for plaintiff in the
 above cause taken
 upon notice on the 16th
 day of November 1867
 at Wheeler D. Ball
 Store the said witnesses

of lawful age and first being duly sworn
 depose the and saith as follows

1st question by plaintiff

was you or was you not acquainted with
 John Colson sen and how long
 and by witness

I was acquainted with the old man Colson
 some twenty five or thirty years

2 question by same

During the latter part of his life do you
 believe that he was in his right mind and
 capable of doing business

and by witness I can not say whether he
 was or not I have seen him at times
 when he seem to have as good a mind
 as most of men of his age and at other
 times not.

3 question by same

Did you hear James John or Thomas Colson
 say that it was a written contract he
 twist them and the old man Colson that
 they were not to sell the land that he

deeded to them untill the west of the
hairs was made equal with them
ans by witness

I hear James B Colson last spring a
year ^{ago} say that their ^{10th} a written contract
between him John Thomas and
the old man Colson and that
contract was on record and that
was bound by it not to sell the land
till the rest of the hairs was made
equal to the amount of each of their
land and he had that contract
now in his possession and recd
that not one of the rest of hairs had
any idy that he had it

4th ques by some

Do you believe the negroes that James B
Colson had in ~~this~~ possession, ^{that their labor} was worth
their expenses

ans by witness

a. prant of the time this heard for
something more but after the war
advanced and Lincoln's proclamation
the negro free I would say that the
was a man of experience

1st question by Defendant

Do you now of your self. that there
ever was a written contract ever between
Father John Thomas and my self.

ans I do not only as you told me
and further this deponent saith not

A. J. Fulton

2nd witness J^r
1st ^{question} by Plaintiff

was you or was not acquainted with John
Colson sen and how long
answer by witness

I was well acquainted with John Colson sen for
thirty years and upwards

2nd question by some

was you at John Colson's the day this deed spoken
of was made for the remainder of ~~this~~ John Colson
land

ans by witness

I was not

3rd ques by some

Do you believe that John Colson sen was in
his proper mind a year before he died
with the exception of being under the influence of
Liquor at times he was as reasonable as men of
his age

4th ques by some

did you know of any ^{other} man of his age
answer

I supposed that William Sayers is as old a man and
Sayers is yet a live

5th question by some

did you or did ^{you} not hear the old man Colson
say that he intended for his children to all have
an equal share of his estate

ans by some

I have heard him say that he did that some of his
children had moved off and that he intended the
negroes for them

6th ques by same

don't you believe the land that he sold to William and James B. Colson is worth more than one thousand dollars

ans by same

from my knowledge of ^{the} Land I suppose it to be worth a thousand dollars or upwards and further this deponent saith not

John B. Coathran

The taking of these depositions is adjourned until the 28th day of December 1867 to the 16th 1867 at the Store House of Wheeler & Bull } M. S. Bull, J. O.

Pursuant to the adjournment ~~of~~ proceed to ~~take~~ the deposition of Samuel McPerson

1st ques by ~~Plaintiff~~

Do you or do you not believe the land that James B. Colson and William E. Colson purchased from John Colson, sen^r was worth twenty dollars an acre

ans by witness

I do believe it to be worth twenty dollars an acre

2nd ques by same

did you hear the old man John Colson say he sent money and how much to David and Charles Colson in Missouri and by same

I heard him say he sent some money but don't know how much

5th
3 yestion by same

Did you ever hear the old man Colson
say his children should have an equal shere
of his Esstate

answer by same

Proot as precollect of
and puthe this deponent faith not

Samuel M. Pherson

The foregoing deposition were taken by me
as stated in the caption and Reduced
to writing by me and J. G. certify that
I am not interested the said cause nor
counsel to either of the parties and that
I sealed them up and put them in the
post office without being out of my posses-
sion or altered of ter they were taken
given under my hand and sealed this
December 28th 1867

M. S. Ball, J. P.

John Colson & others

vs. 3 Depositions

James B. Colson & al

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filed the 27th of Feb

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John. Colson
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 Rachel Snellen
 James. H. Snellen
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 James. B. Colson
 James. W. Orr
 and others

on the Circuit Court
 of Lee County State of
 Virginia the Deposition
 of Thomas J. Bridemore
 Thomas W. Brent. John
 Brent. Thomas P. Enson
 and Wily. Carmack
 witnesses for defendant
 in the above cause taken
 upon notice on the 14th.
 day of August 1867 at
 James. B. Colson residence
 taken in the presence of
 Ary. Colson one the Plaintiffs the said
 witnesses of lawful age first being
 duly sworn depose as follows

1 question by Defendant

Do you know the land purchased by James. B. Colson and
 William E. Colson of John Colson and supposed to be One hundred
 Acres.

Answer

I know the land described above tolerably well
 q. 2 What do you think said land worth at that time
 of said purchase & what could it be sold for now

Ans. I think that one thousand Dollars would have been a fair
 valuation for said land at the time of the purchase, but
 what it is worth now it would be hard to tell. It might
 be worth as much now as a thousand dollars to men
 that live near to it, but owing to the hardness of
 times I doubt whether or not it could be sold
 for that amount

3rd Question

What do you know about the old man John Colson senr. being out of his proper mind from liquor or other causes during his last days.

Ans.

This I lived near the old Gentleman for some years yet I knew but little about the state of his mind in any way or from any cause whatever from the fact that I was never in the old mans camp any very much during my acquaintance with him and so if his mind was impaired I do not know it or if it was not impaired I do not know it

~~4th question~~

1 question by Plaintiff

do you believe the negroes that ^{James P. Colson} John E. Colson had in their possession was worth their expenses

and in times when negroes could be forced to labour I think they would have been worth expenses

By defendant

Do you know that I hired said negroes

Ans. I do not know who hired the negroes and further this deponent saith not
Thos. P. Censor

1st Question by defendant.

was you or was you not acquainted with John Colson senr.

Answer. I was

2nd question how long was you acquainted with him before his death.

answer. I was acquainted ^{with} him about thirty years

3rd question

During that time how far did you live from him

Ans. not exceeding five miles

4th question during that time did you or do you not think that the old man John Colson senr. was or was not in his proper mind

Ans. I do think he was in his proper mind

5th question when or eight months before his death did you or not think that he John Colson sr.

was capable of making a good and valid contract

Ans. I do

6th question you acquainted with the land that James B. & Wm. C. Colson purchased from John Colson senr. some eight months before his death, it being the remainder of his land

Ans. I have been over the land that was said to be the land that was purchased by them

6th question do you or not think that One thousand dollars was a large price for said land

Ans. I ~~do~~ think it was

1 question Plaintiff

was you or was you not over the portion of land that George N. Hoskins purchased from William C. Colson

Ans. I have been over it since he sold it

2 question do you believe that portion of the land was worth as much an acre as any portion of the land that John Colson senr. ~~owned~~ owned and I think it was

3 question

do you believe that portion of land
purchased by Hoskins from Wm. E. Colson
was worth twenty dollars an acre
and I think not

and further this deponent saith not

Thomas J. ^{his} Pridemore
mort

1st Question by Defendant.

was you acquainted with John Colson senr. and if so
how long,

Ans. I was acquainted with the old man
Colson about six years before his death

2nd question by same

how far did you live from him during that time
and hardly a quarter of a mile

3rd question by Dept.

during that time six years did you or not
frequently visit the old man John Colson senr.

Ans. I did

4th question by same

do you or do you not think that he was all the time
during your acquaintance in his proper mind and
would talk freely on farming and scripture with as
much judgment as any man of your acquaintance
and of his age.

Ans. I do I saw no change in his mind during
my acquaintance with him

5th question by same

are you acquainted with or no ^{with} the land that James B.
Colson & Wm. E. Colson purchased from John Colson sr.
some eight months before ~~the~~ death.

Ans. I am

5th
6th question by same.

do you think that One thousand Dollars was at the time the said land was purchased the full value of said land.

Ans. I do think it was the full value
7th question by same

Is not a great portion of this ^{land} very Rocky,

Ans. it is very rocky

1st question by Plaintiff

what year was it you went to Tenn
to live

Ans I believe it was in fifty nine

2nd ques

did you or did you not make that your home
and I made it my home while there

3rd ques

did you or did you not stay in Tenn
twelve month during your time there
and first and last I did

4th question

did you or did you not live in one
quarter of an mile during the six years of your
acquaintance ^{with} of John Bolson ^{sen} deceased
and I did but was backwards and forwards
to my daughters in Tenn

5th question

did you or did you not hear John Bolson ^{sen}
say he wanted all of his children to have an
Equal Share of his estate

and I dont recollect of his having any such
talk to me

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Question

was you or was you not acquainted with the portion of land that the old man Colson deeded to his son William and James B Colson and was it as good land, ^{as the} remainder of the old man Colson's farm and a small portion

7 question

was you living at your daughters mays hills at the time the old man Colson deeded this land to his sons James & William E. Colson

and I dont recollect

8 question

were you here when the old man Colson died

and I was not

9 question

where were you living at that time and I was living in Tennessee but was here about three weeks before the old man Colson died

10 question by defendant

Did you or did you not consider the Walnut Hill farm your home ever since you purchased that land

and I certainly did

and further this deponent saith not

Thos. V. Brunt

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1st question by defendant

was you acquainted with John Colson Sr who lived near Walnut Hill and died in Octr. 1860.

Ans. I was

2 question how long was you acquainted with him ^{before his death} and how long far. do you. or did you live from him

Ans. About six years I lived in about a quarter of a mile of him

3rd during that time. do you or do you not think that the old man John Colson Sr. possessed his proper mind or as much so as many men of his age. in your knowledge.

Ans. I think he did as

4th Did you not frequently see the old man J. Colson or for the last six years previous to his death.

Ans. I saw him often once or less every week

5th Are you acquainted with the land or the remainder of the old man John Colson Sr. land that he sold to his sons James & Wm. E. Colson

Ans. I am acquainted with the land that James B Colson took me around and that he said was the land

6th question do you think that One Thousand dollars was the full value of the land purchased from John Colson Sr. by his sons James B. & Wm. E. Colson

Ans. I think it was the value of the land

7th question is not a great portion of the land above spoken of berry rocky and nearly destitute of timber

Ans. It is berry rocky and not much timber

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1 question by Plaintiff

were you or was you not absent from home eight days at one time during the six years while you lived at the walnut Hill farm
ans I have been absent eight days

2 question

don't you believe that old man Colson was the oldest man in the neighborhood
ans ~~he was~~

he was the oldest man in the neighborhood that new of
and further this deponent saith not

John McBaen D

1st question by Defendant

Was you acquainted with John Colson ever heard in spoken of. And if so how long was you acquainted with him before his death. and how far have you ~~lived~~ lived from him during that time

ans I was verry well acquainted ^{with him} some three or four years before his death I have ~~farther than~~ lived farther than four miles from him during that time and one year of the time on a portion of his old farm

2 question - did you or did you not during your acquaintance with the old man consider him to be a man of very sound mind for a man of his age.

ans I did

3rd Question by defendant

Are you or are you not acquainted and acquainted with the land spoken of which was

purchased from John Colsum sr. by his sons
James B. & Wm. C. Colsum

Ans. I have been over the land often and
worked the most of the land in cultivation
4th question by same.

do you or do you not think that One Thousand
dollars is the full value of the said land now
in controversy

Ans. I am not judgenough to say what the
land was worth

5th is or is not the greatest portion of that
land very rocky and nearly destitute of
timber.

Ans. it is so
and further this deponent saith not
Thely^{his} x Carmack
mark

The foregoing deposition were taken by me as above
stated in the caption and reduced to writing and
I certify that I am not interested in the ^{said} cause nor
connected to either of the parties and that I sealed
them up and put them in the post office with
out being out of my possession or being altered
after they were taken given under my hand
and sealed this August 17th 1867

M. S. Ball, J. P.

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John Colson & others.

vs Deposition

Henry Colson & others

Received Sealed the 20th day
of August 1867 and filed the
same day -

Henry J. Morgan, Clk

The Depositions of

Taken

In pursuance to a Notice herein enclosed
and to adjournment to the 22^d day of April
1867 at the Office of William Burns in the
Town of Jonesville Lee County Virginia To
be read as evidence in behalf of the Comptee
in a certain suit in Chancery now pending
in the Circuit Court of Lee County wherein
John Colson Arny Colson David Colson Balis
Shumate Rebecca his wife James F Snelling
Rachel his wife are Comptees and Arny
Colson James B Colson Thomas Colson Mary
Purveyfield Mount Purveyfield Noel Colson
David Colson Noel Colson Jr James Colson
Eliza Ann Shumate Samuel Shumate John
Colson and others are defendants.

William S Martin a witness of lawful
age after being first duly sworn deposes
and saith

Question by Plaintiff

Did you or not know John Colson or died
Ans I was tolerably well acquainted with said Colson from
the year 1845 up to 1859

Question 2^d do you know when said Colson died

Ans I do not only by information from which he died
in the latter part of the year 1859 or 60

Question 3^d Do you or not know his age

Ans My information is that he was near 90 years
of age and of my own knowledge he was a very old man

Question 4th Do you or do you not know anything
about ^{James} John Colson or died dividing two Tracts of land
which was the remainder of his Walnut Hill farm
or a part of the homestead
to his sons William and John Colson about the year

Ans I donot only from information received from James Colson & I think from Wm Allen ~~that~~ which information was that James Colson had bout said lands from his Brother I know nothing of myself of Conveyance by said Duration 5th Did you or did you not know whether

John Colson or decd was for three or four years before his death in a proper state of mind ~~and~~

~~to~~ To make a deed or transact any business

Ans The last years of his life embracing the years 57-8-9 when I saw him which was frequently I did not consider him Capable to transact business

Question 6

Cross Examined

1st Question What are your reasons for stating that in your opinion John Colson decd was incompetent to transact any business

Ans I considered his mind impaired from the fact of his incapability seemingly to settle business with me as Shury and his conversation was not satisfactory

Ans I thought from his ^{manner} conversation at times that his mind was considerably impaired All the business I ever had with the old man was in the collection of Taxes at times he did not seem to realise what it meant

2^d Question by same

Was he a widower during the time you spoke of, with whom did he live and who seemed to have the principal care of him
Ans He was a widower at said time & Wm his son was living with him & seemed to have the principle care of him

Question by same

How far did you reside from John Colson during the time of which you spoke and how often did you see him during the course

of the year

Ans I lived 28 miles and ~~probably~~ saw him as often as five or six times ~~per~~ probably oftener during each of the years 57-8 During the year 1839 I saw him ~~as often~~ as two or three times

Further this deponent sayeth not

Wm J. Truster

Richard C Ball another witness of lawful age after being first duly sworn deposes and saith
Question by Counsel Did you or did you not know John Colson or decd if yea please state how long you knew him previous to his death

Ans I knew him all my life or at least twenty years Do you or do you not know anything about the said John Colson's deeding some land to William and James Colson his sons in the years 1837 and 1840

Ans I donot of my own knowledge but heard from others that they had bought of the old man
Question please state the worth of the said per acre or in a body that was said to have been bought from John Colson by James William Colson
Ans

Question Did you or did you not know whether John Colson or was in a proper state of mind to do business for some two or three ^{def. to counsel} years before his death. (Question objected to by)

Ans I donot think he was my reason for thinking so was from passing there say in the morning the old man would ask my name, again he would ask the same question when I would call in the evening The old man would ask the above named question in

Two hours absence though I had been acquainted with him
all my life
Cross Examined. Quest. 1.

How old are you

Ans. — 28 years

Quest. 2nd. Was it not an ^{eccentric} habit of the old
man to ask his friends jocularly when
he met them, for their names.

Ans. I do not know that it was

Quest 3^d. When was it that you were passing
back & forth by the old man's house and
saw him so often

Ans. It was some time ^{between the year} ~~in the year~~
Eighteen hundred & fifty and ~~1851~~ Eighteen hundred & sixty

Quest 4 Did you see him frequently before that
time.

Ans. I did as often as one dozen times or
often in one year

Quest. Had you not removed with your father
to Kentucky to live a year or two prior to
1850, & how often did you see the old man
between the time you removed to Kentucky
and the year 1850?

Ans. I think I had removed to Ky
in 1848 or 1849. I saw him while living in
Kentucky as often as three or four times a year

Further this deponent sayeth not

I Certify that the foregoing depositions of Wm S. Martin { Richard C. Ball
and Richard C. Ball was taken sworn to & subscribed by the before
named deponents before me on the 22^d day of April 1867 Pursuant
to notice at the time & place and for the purposes mentioned in the
Caption Magistrates fees, 50 paid W. Woodward J. P.

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The deposition of Richard Crabtree
J. B. Crabtree Balis Littlel Eliza Colson
A. J. Hulton Mary Colson John Dorton
Henderson Littlel Jessy Tate George Colson
William McNeal Mathue Roberts Taken
pursuant to notice herein enclosed before
M. S. Ball a Justice of the peace in and
for Lee County in the State of Virginia
at the ~~late residence~~ house of Margret. S.
Ely the late residence of R. M. Ely deceased,
on the 8th day of April 1847
(in the County of Lee and State of Virginia)
to be read as evidence on behalf of the
complainants in the trial of the suit
in chancery pending in the Lee circuit
court wherein John Colson Mary Colson
David Colson Balis Shoemate Rebecca his
wife James H. Snelling Rachael his wife
are complainants and Henry Colson
James B. Colson Thomas Colson Mary
Peruifield Mount Peruifield Rael Colson
David Colson Rael Colson, jun. James
Colson Elizaan Shoemate Samuel Shoemate
John Colson and others are defendants
The said witnesses of lawful age being duly
sworn depose and saith as follows

1st question.

Do or do you not know whether the old man John Colson Sr. was
or was not in his right mind when he made a deed for the land,
meaning the remainder of his land.

Answer, By Witness. I think his mind and memory had very
much failed him.

3rd Question. do or do you not know about the Negroes being hired
and to whom they were hired

Answer By witness. I think they were heir either to James B. Colson or to William E. Colson.

Question 1st By Left. Do you know the land above spoken of by the Plaintiff.

Answer By Witness. I do not exactly know its boundary, and further this deponent sayeth not.

John McNeil.

Question 1st By Plaintiff.

Do or do you not know the condition or state of mind of the ^{said} John Colson for two or three years before he died.

Answer By witness. I think he was like most other old men, of that age, ^{that is he was about 90 years of age} as his flesh gave way, his mind gave way also. I would not suppose he was nigh of as strong mind as he was formerly.

Question 2nd By Plaintiff. Please state ~~what~~ if you know when the old man John Colson Jr. bequeathed the remainder of his land and how long it was before he died, and to whom he bequeathed it.

Answer By witness. Some time before his death one year or two he sold the remainder of his land, supposed to be 100 acres, since I am told, since I am told there was 84 acres, for one thousand dollars, and the land to be equally divided, ~~and the money~~, between James B. Colson and Wm. E. Colson.

Question 3rd Please state if you know whether the old man John Colson Jr. did or did not give to Wm. E. Colson a certain Negro girl named Maria, Extra to help to support him during his life.

Answer By witness. The old man told me that Wm. E. Colson was to have that girl, and he depended on William E. Colson taking care of him and that William E. Colson told me he did take care of the old man, and that he was to have the girl.

Question 4th Did or did you ever hear the old man Colson say that he wanted his property to be divided among his children, and if he wanted them all to have an Equal share.

Answer By witness. My understanding was from the old man Colson that he intended his children to have an Equal share, except Henry

Colson, and he had said that he never would make said Henry a deed to a certain tract of land that he intended he once would, but subsequently he did make him a deed to a piece of land, but not as much as he intended giving.

Question 5th Did or did you not ever hear the old man Colson say what portion of his Estate he intended to give to Eliza Colson and to Sally Colson.

Answer By witness. I never heard him say any thing about that.

Question By Left. Would you have given any thing for the hire of the Negro man and woman and 4 children at the time, and under the circumstances at that time.

Answer By witness. I would not for the woman and 4 children, as to the Boy Henry I suppose he would have earned something by taking him away from the rest, but to keep them all together I would think they were worth nothing more than their victuals, and other expenses.

Question 6th Are you or are you acquainted ^{not} with the land heretofore spoken of By Mr. Jones.

Answer By witness. I have been over it for the last 60 years, and I think that when it was sold for 1000 dollars it was well sold.

Question 7th Do you or do you not know who took care of the old man in his latter days, and if so state who they were.

Answer By witness. My understanding was that Wm. E. Colson was taking charge of the old man.

And further this deponent sayeth not. Richard Bratton.

Question By Plaintiff. Please state if you know if you were well acquainted with the old man Colson, and whether he was calculated in the latter part of his life to be fully capable of doing business.

Answer By witness. I was very well acquainted with the old man, and do not whether he was or not.

Question By Plaintiff. Do or do you not think his mind was much impaired and his memory not as good as it was in his early life.

Answer By witness. I would not suppose his mind was as good as it was.

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Question By Plaintiff, Please state if you know, about a negro girl named Mira, and how the old man Colson disposed of her, and on what conditions,

Answer By Witness, I do not know.

Question By Plaintiff, Please state if you know how much George Hookins gave for a certain tract of land that said Hookins bought of Wm E. Colson, and how many acres it contained.

Answer By Witness, I do not recollect any thing about it.

Question By Plaintiff, Do or do you not think whether the old man Colson had not as good recollection and mind, as any man of his age,

Answer By Witness, I think he had.

I heard further this deponent says the next.

J. M. Tate

Question 1st By Plaintiff,

Please state if you know when John Colson Sr gave to his son Wm E. Colson, a Negro Girl named Mira, for what purposes he gave her to him, and in what manner it was to interfere with the Estate.

Answer By Witness, I signed the ^{Bill of Sale} ~~and~~ he made for the Girl to W. E. Colson, the old man said she was given to Wm for the purpose of taking care of him, as he was not able to take care of himself, and that she was not to be charged to said Wm as part of his Estate. And charged me and Samuel Pettrell, the witnesses to the bill of sale, to bear that in mind.

Question 2nd Please state if you know, when the old man John Colson decided away his first tracts of land to his sons, viz, John Colson Jr. Thomas Colson and James B. Colson, whether there was any agreement, contract, or obligation, entered into by the above named heirs with their father John Colson Sr. and ^{what} that agreement consisted of.

Answer By Witness, I heard the old man Colson say that the land he gave to them, was not to be sold, to any one ^{without his consent} but only John Jr or another might buy the same, ~~and that they were to keep or sell said land to one another and that contract was to continue during his life.~~

Question 3rd did or did you not ever hear the old man ^{Colson} say what was his motive for making that agreement with these said heirs,

Answers By witness. I never did.

Question By Left. did you or did you not know whether the old man Colson consented for Thos. Colson, to sell his land or not during the lifetime of the old man. Answers By Witness.

I know he did consent.

And further this deponent saith not.

A. J. Fulton

Question By Plaintiff.

Please state if you know whether the old man Colson was or was not calculated at all times in his latter life to transact business, or if his mind and memory had not materially left him.

Answers By witness. I have seen the old man at times have very simple talk, and at other times he would talk very rational.

Question 2nd Did you or did you not know the conditions upon which the old man Colson gave ^{negro} a girl named Maria to his son William, and for what purpose she was given.

Answers By Witness. I do not.

Question By Left.

Do or do you not think that we gave the full value for the land that we last purchased by I and William from the old man Colson.

Answers By witness. It is as much as I would give for it.

And further this deponent saith not.

Mathew ^{his} Roberts
mark

Question By Plaintiff.

Do or do you not know whether the old man John Colson was in a sound state of mind during his latter years.

Answers By witness. I think his mind was not good in his latter years.

Question 3rd By Left. Did you or did you not live some distance from the old man Colson.

Answers By witness. I live here about 3 miles.

Question 4th was or was you not frequently about the old mans house.

Answers By Witness. Not very frequently. Balies Sitree

And further this deponent saith not.

Question By Plaintiff.

Did or did you not live in the same house with the old man Colson during the latter part of his life.

Answer By witness. I did.

Question By Same. Please state whether or not you think the old man Colson was not very much impaired in his mind, and his memory also.

Answer By Witness. I know that people would come in the fore part of the day that he was well acquainted with, and he would ask them who they were, and they would come back at noon and he would ask them the same question again.

Question By Same. Would or would you not suppose that from the frailty of the old man's Colson's mind, he could have been persuaded to have done things that he would not have done in his former years.

Answer By Witness. I believe he could.

Question By Same. do or do you not remember in a certain suit that was in controversy between Sarah Colson and Henry Colson, that the deposition of the old man Colson was requested, ~~and that it was~~ and the reason why the deposition was not taken.

Answer By Witness. That James B. Colson and William E. Colson objected to it being taken on the grounds that the old man's mind was not capable of understanding.

Question By Same. Have or have you not frequently heard the old man Colson express his mind concerning the division of his land.

Answer By Witness. Yes I have frequently.

Question By Same. did you or did you not frequently hear the old man say that he intended his heirs to have an equal share of all he had.

Answer By Witness. Yes I have.

Question By Same. Please state if you know ^{whether} the old man Colson gave a Negro Girl to Miss Ann Williams.

Answer By Same. I do.

Question By Same. State if you know why he gave her to her.

Answer By Witness. for William Colson to pay attention to his father.

Question By Same. do or do you not know ~~when~~ when the negroes were hired and to whom.

Answer By witness. I do. William E. Colson hired them, the Boy called Henry he was either to pay 5 or 7 dollars per month for I do not remember which, and the Negro Woman and Children he was to feed and clothe them and pay the Physicians fees for their labor, also pay their taxes.

Question By Same. do you or do you not think that the old man Colson was as well attended to as he should have been.

Answer By Witness. I do not think he was.

Question By Same. Please state if you know the reason he was not.

Answer By Same. It was from the want of means to treat him well, and also from neglect.

Question By Same. How long was it before the old man Colson did you live with him in the same house.

Answer By Witness. About 18 Months as near as I recollect.

Question By Same. Are or are you not considered one of the plaintiffs in this suit.

Answer By Same. I am not.

Question By Same. Is your son David not one of the plaintiffs in this suit.

Answer By Same. He is.

Question By Same. Did or did you not with James Swelling and in filing the first Bill in this suit.

Answer By witness. I was there and assisted him James F. Swelling, in the first Bill. then I and Anna ^{Colson} went and amended the second Bill.

And further the Defendant I say to the Hon.

Elyah ^{his} Colson,
month

Question 1st By Plaintiff. Were or were you not well acquainted with John Colson Sr. For a long time and frequently seen him in the latter part of his life.

Answer By Witness. Yes I was

Question 2nd By Same. Do you or do you not think that for some 2 years or so before he died his mind was much impaired

Answer By Same. I was not much there about that time, I had left there.

Question By Same. Please state from General report what was the public opinion of said Colson in relation to his intellect.

Left Object.

Question By Same. Do or do you know that the old man Colson would very often be stimulated with liquor, and take his dram freely.

Answer By Witness. Yes I have, known him to be intoxicated.

Question By Same. did or did you not ever hear him speak any thing concerning the distribution of his ~~property~~^{estate} among his children, if so please state

Answer By Same. I did, I heard him say that he had divided his land and said that they were all satisfied, except Henry, and that he Henry should never have the land he intended him to have, he also said that he would send 300 dollars to Abel and David the boys that was gone.

Question By Same. Do or do you not think that the 300 dollars which ~~would~~ was the intention of him to send to the Boys that was gone, would have been equal in value with the rest of the heirs.

Answer By Same. I think the land was worth more than that.

Question By Left. How long ago since it has been that you lived a near neighbor to father.

Answer By Same. About 13 years.

Question By Same. What is the distance since that time you have lived near him.

Answer By Same. About 1 1/2 Miles

Question By Same. Have you been particularly acquainted with him since you have been there.

Answer By Same. I have not.

Question By Same. Have you seen him frequently intoxicated with liquor for the last 15 years.

Answer By Same. I have not.

Question By Same. Do you or do you not think that the old man during your acquaintance with him was a man of strong mind as any man you knew of of his age.

Answer By Same. I do.

And further this deponent saith not.

John Lorton

The taking of these depositions is adjourned until Monday the 22nd day of April 1864, to the law office of Wm. H. Beards at Jonesville Lee County Virginia when and where the taking of the same will be resumed and continued

M. S. Ball J. P.

I certify that the foregoing depositions of Richard Cratton, Bayless Pittard, Eliza Colson, A. J. Fulton, John Lorton, Jesse Tate, Wm. Mc Neal, Mathew Roberts, was taken sworn to and subscribed by them before me on the 8th day of April 1864, pursuant to notice at the time, place and for the purposes mentioned in the caption, Bill of Court.

M. S. Ball J. P.

Magistrate's fees. \$ 5.00
Constable's Fees 3.00
\$ 8.00

John Colson & others

vs. 3 Depositions
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Henry Colson & others

Received Sealed and filed the 9th
day of April 1867.

Henry J. Morgan Clerk

Virginia Lee County Court
Arva Colson states that Mary Percifield
Mount Percifield, Thomas Colson Noel
Colson, David Colson, and James
Colson are each of them non residents
of the State of Virginia and absent
from the same, a part of them resides
in Texas a part in Missouri and
a part in Kentucky, wherefore he asks
for publication to be made against
them, January the 22^d 1867.

Arvey Colson

Shown to before me by Arvey Colson the
22^d of January 1867,

Humph Morgan Clk

Virginia See County to-wit:

Personally appeared J. G. Rose before me Henry J. Morgan
clerk of the Circuit Court of See County, Virginia,
and made oath that Henry F. Robinson is not a
resident of this Commonwealth - This the 24th day of
January 1867 -

Henry J. Morgan Clerk

John Colson et al
vs } affidavit of
} nonresidence
Henry Colson et al

Commissioner's Office, Jonesville, January 29th 1869.

John Colson et als. ----- Plaintiffs

Ed. Chapman

against

To the Hon. John A. Campbell, Judge of the Circuit Court
of Lee County: - By a Decree of your Honor entered
in the above styled cause on the 2nd day of May 1868

On the 20th day of November 1868 James B. and William E. Colson were appointed Admins of the estate of John Colson Jr. deceased by the County Court of Lee County, and

on the 8th day of December thereafter they proceeded to make sale of their intestates' property on a credit of twelve months. The sales thus made by them amounted in the aggregate to \$ 330.30 and became due December the 8th 1861

The said John Colson a short time before his death sold to said James B + W^m E. Colson certain tracts of land for which at the time of his death he held two notes on said James B, the first of which is for \$250.⁰⁰ and due January 1st 1861, and the second is for a like sum of \$250.⁰⁰ and due January 1st 1862

Besides this, the said John held notes on the said William C., for like sums to those he held on said James B. and due at the same times. The said John

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held another note for \$144.⁰⁰ on said James B. due September 27th 1860, for what consideration this note was executed I am not informed. It is thus seen that the principal assets that went into the hands of said Administrators were notes upon themselves, that is, the said James B. ~~owed~~ his intestates' estate \$644.⁰⁰ and the said William \$500.⁰⁰, making in the aggregate \$1144.⁰⁰. And when we add to this sum the amount of the sales of their intestates' property of \$330.30, it makes their indebtedness to said estate amount in the aggregate to \$1474.30, and the interest which had accrued upon these several notes to the first day of January 1862 amounted to \$40.80.

The said William E. Colson sometime during the late war departed this life, leaving the said James B. surviving Admr. of the said John, whom I summoned before me in order to state the said account as directed by the said decree, which I have accordingly done and the same is filed herewith, marked AB, as a part of this report, a reference to which will show that I have stated the said account by making eight annual statements thereof, the first as of January 1st 1862, the end as of January 1st 1863, and so on ending with January 1st 1869. Upon the disbursements made by him during these several years I have allowed him a credit of 7 per cent commission thereon, and after deducting said commission, together with the various disbursements made by said Admr., it leaves

in their hands of Principal money on the 1st day of January 1869 \$1212.85, and the interest which has accrued upon the annual balances in said account to the first day of January 1869 amounts to \$583.07. Principal and Interest to \$1795.92. If, however, we allow the said Admrs a credit for 7 per cent Commission on the Principal and Interest in their hands on the first day of January 1869, the result will then be found in a special statement in said account A.B. This special statement shows that after allowing said Admrs a credit of 7 per cent Commission, there is in their hands of Principal money \$1127.96 which will bear interest from the first day of January 1869, and the balance of ~~Principal~~^{Interest} after allowing Commission thereon, will be \$542.26. Principal and Interest \$1670.22.

The said James B. Colson, as surviving admr., during the year 1866, made before a Commissioner of the County Court his first settlement of this account, from which I have re-stated this ~~and~~ and while the Statute provides that unless Fiduciaries shall make annual settlements of their accounts or forfeit Com-missions, yet I think this is a case in which Com-missions ought to be allowed, and I think the proper sum for which this admr. is chargeable to his intestate's estate will be found in said special statement.

In this statement of the account I have charged the said James B., as surviving Admr., with the entire

assets of his intestate, including the notes due from himself and those ^{due} from William C. Colson to his intestate. Now, if it should turn out upon a settlement of the estate of said William C. that the said James B. should not realize the full amount of said two notes, then and in that event, the said James B. would be entitled to a credit for such sum as he may fail to realize. The said James B. has instituted suit and obtained judgment against James W. Orr, admr. of said William C., for the amount of said notes and there is a Bill pending in the County Court for the settlement of the matters of the estate of the said William C. And as the said notes were executed for land, and the said John Colson having made a deed of conveyance therefor without retaining a lien for the purchase money, the said judgment will stand upon the footing of ordinary obligations and will not amount to any priority upon the real estate of the said William C. and should his estate prove to be insolvent a ratable distribution among his creditors will have to be made after paying off prior liens, if any there be.

Among the credits allowed in said statement AB is one of \$105.⁰⁰ paid to Bailey Shumate & wife, marked as voucher No 6, and one to James F. Snellman for \$65.53 marked No 9. These are the only two disbursements made among the heirs of the said John by the admr. out of the fund in his hands liable to

distribution, and all the other vouchers therein allowed are for taxes, debts, and incidental expenses - vouchers for all which are ~~filed with~~ said statement AB, marked as in the margin therein from 9 to 10 inclusive.

The Appraisement and Sale Bill of said estate are also filed therewith marked A + B.

This disposes of the matters of account so far as the said James B. Colson is concerned, and next in order is the account of James H. Orr, admr. of the said William E. Colson, and as before stated the said William E. departed this life intestate probably during the year 1863, and up to the 18th day of June 1866 no person having made application for Letters of Administration on his estate, the same was by the County Court on that day committed to said Orr as Sheriff of Lee County, who on the 28th day of July thereafter made sale of his intestate's personal estate on a credit of twelve months - this sale amounted in the aggregate to \$125.15. During the fall of 1866 the said Admr. also sold some rent corn raised upon his intestate's land during that year for which he realized \$11.15, he also rented his intestate's land for the year 1867 due January 1st 1868 for which he realized the sum of \$131.⁰⁰ for the year 1868 he again rented his intestate's land for which he realized the sum of \$80.00 due Jan 1st 1869. He also collected in two actions at law the sum of \$5.⁰⁰ in the way of Attorney's Fees, which

is credited to him among other fees of a like character in Voucher N: 13, and these items constitute this Admr's entire debits, and from this data I have prepared a statement of his Administration Account and the same is filed herewith marked BD as a part hereof. The said account consists of two annual statements the first made as of January 1st 1868, and the second as of January 1st 1869 - I made the first as of its date for convenience, by charging the said Admr. with the amount of his Sale-Bill and with interest thereon from the 28th of July 1867, that being the time at which said sale became due, to the first day of January 1868, to which I added the proceeds of the rent-~~com~~ for the year 1866, and the rent of intestate's land for 1867 making in the aggregate \$247.30 exclusive of interest. I then gave him credit for 10 per cent Commission thereon, and for all disbursements made by him in the payment of taxes, fee-bills, ~~and~~ funeral expenses paid by him from the time said estate was committed to him to the first of January 1868, which being deducted from the debits left in his hands of principal money the sum of \$195.77 which in the second annual statement of the said account I charged to him, together with one year's interest thereon, and to this balance I added the rents of the land for 1868 and the said \$5.⁰⁰ received as attorney's fee in two suits at law making this Admr's debits at the end of that year amount in the aggregate to \$280.77 exclu-

side of interest. I then gave him credit for taxes paid by him, Clerk's Fee Bills, and Receipts for Attorney's Fees during the year 1868, leaving a balance in his hands January 1st 1869 of \$93.07 Principal money and \$14.36 Interest which constitute the funds in his hands due to the Creditors and Distributees of his Intestates' estate.

I will here remark that a number of persons instituted suits against this adm^r which he was forced to defend to protect his intestates' estate, and in doing so he has spent something over \$100.⁰⁰ of his intestates' money in paying Counsel for his defence. He has paid Mr Lane \$37.⁰⁰ as Counsel, allowed as Voucher No 13; Campbell & Humes \$51.⁵⁰ for his defence in the suit in which this account is taken, allowed as Voucher No 15; and to Itagan & Pridemore \$15.⁰⁰ for his defense in an action at law at the suit of Robert Henson, allowed as Voucher No 14, besides his Clerk's Fees allowed as Vouchers ^{Vouchers for repairs for 1868 marked 17 & 18} Nos 12 & 16. &c. With said Statement &c are filed all the vouchers therein allowed from 1 to 18 inclusive, the Sale and Appraisement Bills of said estate are also therewith filed. I think that the Statement of this latter account in this suit is altogether unnecessary for the reason that the fund in said Orr's hands is altogether insufficient to pay off and discharge the liabilities of his intestate, and there being a suit now pending in the County Court in the nature of a Creditors' Bill for the settlement of this account, the convening of the Creditors and marshalling

of assets of said intestate, preparatory to distribution &
a decree has been entered in said suit to attain
those objects; but having been directed ^{to state that acct in this suit} ~~as before~~ I
have discharged that duty as herein indicated and
pray hence to be discharged from the further considera-
tion hereof. All which is respectfully submitted.

Henry J. Morgan, Commissioner
January 29th 1869.

The complainant's excepts to the master commis-
sioner's report herein in so far as it allows
the administrator 7 per cent commission no special reasons
appearing therefor 5 per cent should have been
allowed only.

Burns & G

John Golson et al.

vs. J. Commissioner's Report.

Henry Golson et al.

Commissioner's Fee \$12.00

Filed February 13-1869.

H. J. Morgan, Clerk

and Bill made out.

James B. Colson Surviving Adm ^r of John Colson deceased		To the Heirs and Distributors of Said Estate		Dr	
1862	Jan 1	To amt Sale Bill Dec ^r 8 th 1860. Due Jan 1 st 1862		330	30
	"	Note on James B. Colson to Intestate due Jan 1 st 1861		250	00
	"	Note on Same " " " Jan 1 st 1862		250	00
	"	Note on Same " " " due Sep 27 1860		114	00
	"	Note on W ^m C. Colson " " " due Jan 1 st 1861		250	00
	"	Note on Same " " " due Jan 1 st 1862		250	00
	"	Interest on these of Preceding notes to January 1 st 1862	40	80	
		Total Debits for the year ending Jan 1 st 1862 exclusive of Interest		\$1474	30
	1	By this Sum paid Taxes for 1856 January 5 th 1861	3	43	
	2	" " " Taxes for 1857 Feb 5 1861	8	60	
	3	" " " Taxes for 1859 to T. J. Brown & Co.	27	97	
	4	" " " Taxes for 1861 to Same	7	01	
	5	" " " Thos J. Brown Fee Bill	1	50	
		By 7 per cent commission on \$48.51 disclosed this year	3	39	
		By this Sum unaccounted for this year to Square	1422	40	1474 30
1863	Jan 1	To this Sum unaccounted for as per last years Statement		1422	40
	"	Interest on Same from Jan 1 st 1862 to Jan 1 st 1863	85	34	
	6	By this Sum paid Balis Shemate wife June 13 1862	105	00	
		By 7 per cent commission thereon this Sum	7	35	
		By this Sum unaccounted for this year to Square	1310	05	1422 40
1864	Jan 1	To this Sum unaccounted for as per last years Statement		1310	05
	"	Interest on Same from Jan 1 st 1863 to January 1 st 1864	78	60	
	7	By this Sum paid Taxes for 1860 June 14 th 1863	16	72	
		By 7 per cent commission thereon this Sum	1	17	
		By this Sum unaccounted for this year to Square	1292	16	1310 05
		Interest Carried Forward	204	74	

1865	Accumulated interest Brought Forward	204 74				
Jan 1	To this sum unaccounted for as per last years Statement			1292 16		
	" Interest on same from Jan 1st 1864 to Jan 1st 1865	77 52				
	By this sum unaccounted for this year to Square		1292 16	1292 16		
1866						
Jan 1	To this sum unaccounted for as per last years Statement			1292 16		
	" Interest on same from Jan 1 1865 to Jan 1st 1866	77 52				
	By this sum unaccounted for this year to Square		1292 16	1292 16		
1867						
Jan 1	To this sum entered to your credit in last years account.			1292 16		
	Interest on same from Jan 1st 1866 to Jan 1st 1867	77 52				
8	By this sum paid Patrick Leonard Sep. 13th 1866		5 00			
9	" " " James F. Brellan an heir		65 53			
	By 7 per cent commission on \$70.53 disbursed this year		4 93			
	By this sum unaccounted for charged in next years account.		1216 70	1292 16		
1868						
Jan 1	To this sum unaccounted for as per last years Statement			1216 70		
	Interest on same from Jan 1st 1867 to January 1st 1868.	73 00				
10	By this sum paid or to be paid clerks fee Bill		3 60			
	By 7 per cent thereon in the way of commission		25			
	By this sum unaccounted for this year to Square		1212 85	1216 70		
1869						
Jan 1	To this sum unaccounted for as per last years Statement			1212 85		
	" Interest on same from Jan 1st 1868 to Jan 1st 1869	72 77				
	By this sum unaccounted for this year to Square		1212 85	1212 85		
	Accumulated Interest to January 1st 1869.	583 07				
	See Special Statement next Page					

Principal unaccounted for Jan 1st 1869. Brought Forward	1212 85
By 7 per cent commission on same	84 89
Total amt of Principal after deducting commission	\$1127 96
Accumulated Interest to Jan 1st 1869. Brought Forward	583 07
By 7 per cent commission on same this sum	110 81
Total amt Principal + Int to Jan 1st 1869. abating commission	1670 22

Jas. B. Colson, surviving
 admr. of John Colson dec'd

Statement A.B. of
 Administration Account

A.B.

~~If pursuant to an order of the Court of
Lee County, Va we as the appraisers after being
duly sworn have proceeded to appraise the personal
Property of John Colson Decd. Shown to us By
James B. Colson & W. E. Colson Administrators of Said
John Colson. Decd.~~

Appraisement Bill of the
of $\frac{1}{3}$ Personal Prop.
 $\frac{1}{3}$
John Colson Sr. Decd.

Recorded in Will
Book No. 1 Page
406 & 407 & 408

One note on Jas. B. Colson	\$	cts
due one day after date and		
Dated Sept 26 th 1860	144	66
Daniel Pittnell		

One note on Jas. B. Colson	\$	cts
due one day after date and		
dated Sept 26 th 1860	144	66
One pair of drawing Chems	x	7.00
One Harrow -	+	1.00

Daniel Pittnell
 G. W. Thomas Com.
 M. H. Brent

James B. Colson
 J. W. Colson Administrators

Virginia.

At a court begun and held for Lee County, at the Court
 house thereof, on Monday the 18th day of February 1861
 An appraisement bill of the personal property of John Colson
 Sr. deceased. was this day returned to Court and ordered to be
 recorded

Teste

William P. Paul. D.C.

In Pursuant. to an order of the County Court
 of Lee County Va. in James Littlell Esqr. vs
 J. West Bunt after first being duly sworn
 have proceeded to appraise the property of John
 Colson Sr. Decd. Shown to us By J. Blolson & W
 Elolson Administrators of the said John Colson Sr.
 Decd. Sworn to before me on the 7th Decr 1860

	\$	cts		
1 Yoke of Cattle. +	40	00		
1 cow and calf. X	14	00	One holless stand X	50
1 Cow and calf X	15	00	One head stead X	50
One Bay Mare X	75	00	One pair of Waufuls X	25
One Ball Mare X 50.	30	00	One put. Rack - X	50
One Black Colt, X	40	00	One leage pot. X	1 00
One Clock +	4		One lot of ^{or copper} pale, Bessels X	1 00
One small Table X	"	75	One Cupboard ware X	50
One Fall leaf Table X		50	One hickie. X	75
One large Kitchen Table X	1	00	One rifle gun & pouch X	5 00
One cutting Box & Knife X	1	00	One shot gun. +	3 00
One crosscut. Saw X	3	00	One pair of saddle pockets, X	50
One pair of Stutgards X	1	25	One small fall leaf Table X	2 00
One Turkey Oven X	1	00	One loom. +	4 00
One large pot. & pot. hooks X	"	75	One note on J. B. Colson	
One Tea Cittle. X	"	30	of \$250. due Janr. 1861	
One smoothing Iron X	"	25	also one of \$250. due	
One lantern & Churn - X	"	75	January, 1862.	500, 00
6 pot. Bessels and 1 pair hooks X	4	00	One note on W. E.	
1 Comb Shell. +	"	25	Colson of \$250. due	
1 Family Bible. X	1	00	January 1861 also one	
1 small Bunch of Feathers X	"	50	note on same for \$250.	
One Bedstead. X	1	00	due January 1862,	500, 00
One small Table X	"	25	5 Chairs X	1 00
One old chest. X	"	25	2 shovels & one set dog Iron X	1 50
One lifer X	7	00	One large plaw X	1 00

Robert M. Ely Jr

Sale Bill of John Colson Surv. Dec. 8 th 1860			
One Yoke of Oxen	\$36.00	to James B Colson	\$
One Cow & calf	17.00	to W. J. Howie	
One Cow and calf	14.00	to Wiley D. ^{Carmack} Readman	
one heifer	6.75	to David Colson	
One Mare	106.00	to W. J. Colson	
one Ball Mower	50.00	to David Colson	
one Black Colt	51.00	to Juliana Colson	
one black	20.00	to W. E. Colson	
One little Table	00.60	to W. E. Colson	
One Table	00.60	to W. E. Colson	
one large Table	00.50	to W. E. Colson	
One cutting Knife	1.60	to H. E. Howie	
one saw	\$3.75	to J. B. Colson	
one pair Shears	1.75	to W. J. Howie	
One Hammer	.50	to W. E. Colson	
One Pot. H. Hook	1.00	to Jacob Shoemaker	
One Pot. Smead	0.75	to W. E. Colson	
One Pot. Do	2.00	to do do	
One Do. Bble	1.00	to do do	
One Boreaw	1.00	to do do	
One Chest. & Table	.75	to do do	
One Molass. Stand	.50	to do do	
One Bedstead	.25	to do do	
One Pair Waffle Iron	.50	to Edward Lott	
One Pot. Iron	.25	to W. E. Colson	
One Pot.	.85	to W. J. Colson	
One Lot of Pails	.75	to W. E. Colson	
One Lot Shelf Ware	.70	to do do	
One Hatchet	1.10	to D. C. Colson	
One Rifle Gun	10.50	W. B. Hayes	
One Shot Gun	2.50	John Colson	
One pair Saddle Pockets	1.15	D. C. Colson	
One Small Table	2.54	D. C. Colson	
	320.55		

20.05-

\$324.55

One Loom \$4.00 To Henry Colson sur.
 5 Chairs .85 To W. C. Colson
 One pair fine Dog & Horse \$1.25 To do do
 One Big Plow .60 To Henry Colson
 One pair Chairs 1.15 H. C. Mearns
 One Harrow 1.90 Saml Mcphearson
 9.75
 324.55
 \$334.30

320.55
 9.75
 330.30

Wagon Drivers 70 To H. C. Mearns

James B. Colson
 W. C. Colson
 Edm. Mearns

Sale Bill of the
 of 3 Personal Prop
 John Colson Sr Deed

Recorded in Will Book
 No 1 Page 408 &
 409.

Virginia,
 At a Court begun and held for the County of the
 Court house thereof on Monday the 15th of May 1861
 A Sale Bill of the personal property of John Colson
 Sr. Decedent, was this day returned to Court and
 ordered to be recorded

J. C. Williams J. C. Williams

No 2

Mr

John Ballson Sr tax in Lee county, for 1856.

White titheables, county levy,	9.76
Black do do	5.65
Revenue—Personal property, \$313 —	10.50
Salary, interest, &c.,	
Land, —————	
Road levy,	25.91
Received the above in full.	

Capitation tax, }

Wm J Martin Secy

John Coalman

Dr

Received By Gas Bleed
May 19th 1857 \$2.50

Received of Mr. E. C. Coalman
of Gro Boston serv^g \$343 in
full of The Putnam of the principal
& interest of The within sum
May 5th 1861. Mr. S. Martin

No 1

25-91

25-91

No. 3

Mr John. Colson Sr

tax in Lee county for 1854.

1 White titheables, county levy,
3 Black do do
Revenue--Personal property, \$ 282,
Salary, interest, &c.,
Land,

10.04
Capitation tax, } 2.76
5.25
~~\$ 18.05~~

Received the above in full.

WM. S. MARTIN, S. L. C.

Geo. Carlson Sr

No 2

18.03

for by

0.30

Geo E Carlson

4.44

Cor. July 27/93

36.77

9/6.9

Recd July 5th 1861. of Mr E.
Carlson Adams of the Estom
of Geo Carlson Recd \$8.60
in full of the mining &
Interests of the Estom
Geo Carlson

MR

John Calson and

tax in Lee County, for 1859.

/ White titheables, county levy,	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	6.44
3 Black do do	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	
Revenue—Slaves, personal property,	\$346	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	Capitation tax, } 5.78
Salary, interest, &c.,	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	} 15.75
Land,	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	
Road levy,	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	
Received the above in full,									\$27.57

W. Brown D.S.

No. 3
To Colson Dr

27.97

Above Exp.
paid by J. B.
Colson, or
by L. H. Hartman
for ad. Colson

No. 4

Mr. *See* B. G. *Hm* E. C. Olson Adm^r of *pro*: *Colson* tax in Lee county, for 1861.

Revenue.	Slaves, personal property, \$ <i>1375</i>	}	5	26
	Capitation tax, Salary, Interest, &c.,			

Land,			
County levy.	white and	black	titheables,

war ~~Board~~ levy, *33 1/3* per cent. on State taxes.

Received payment.

L. J. Bishop

1	75
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7	01

Pa. B. of Wm. E. Coleon
admrs. of John Coleon
701

No. 4

~~No. 8~~

December 7th 1860.

Wm. E. Colson and James B.
Colson administrators of John Colson
deceased. Mr. To Notifying & appraisers
of the estate of said Colson
at fifty Cents each \$1.50.

Geo. J. Brown, D.S.

Wm. E. and James

B. Leolson

adon ~~to~~ Ho.

\$150 ==

Paid by

J. B. Leolson

No 5

1889

Received of William E. Colson
One hundred and five Dollars, it being
a part of Rebecca Shemate part and
Interest of her Grandfather John Colson's
Estate. ~~Decidedly~~. But if this should not
be her part of said John Colson's Estate
the said Colson is to pay the full amt
due and if tho \$105.00. be too much.
the said Balis & Rebecca Shemate is
to pay back to W^m E. Colson. after a
final settlement with the estate
given from under our hands & Seals.
June 13th 1862. Bay C. Shemate
Witness Rebecca ^{no} Shemate
James B. Colson mark

Balus Shoemaker

+ Rebecca

To Receipt

~~\$100.00~~
\$105.00

No 6

No 5

Mr

John C. Leon Sent

TAX IN LEE COUNTY FOR 1860.

White titheables, county levy,.....			103
3 Black do do do.,.....			309
Revenue—Slaves, personal property, \$ 373	Capitation tax, }		589
Salary, interest, &c.,			447
Land,.....			
Road levy,.....			1448

Received the above in full,

Thos J Brown DS

Received of James. B. Colson Administrator
of the estate of John Colson Senr: Deceased.

Five dollars. in full of. my claim against the
estate for. making Coffin for. said John Colson
Senr: Deed given from under my hand Septm.
13th 1866.

Patrick Leonard

No 8

No. 6

J. P. Leonard
Receipt
\$5.00

September 11th 1866

Received of James B. Colson
Administrator of the estate of John Colson decd. (Deceased)
Sixty five dollars and fifty three cents it being for one
black Colt. that Juliana Colson now Juliana Smellings
bought at the sale of her Grandfathers. Sale given from under our
hands, and Seals,

James J. Smellings (seal)
Juliana ^{her} ~~Smellings~~ (seal)
Smellings
mark

1114
7 1/2
1008
72
1080

No. 9

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James W. Orr Sheriff and as Such Adm ^r of William E. Colson Decd.		To the Heirs & Distributors of said Estate		Dr	
1868					
Jan 1	To amt due Bill July 28 th 1866. due July 28 th 1867. (See due Bill A)			105	15
	Interest on same from July 28 th 1867. to Jan 1 st 1868	2	62		
	" This sum Recd for Sale of Rents Crops for 1866 (See due bill)			11	15
	" This sum Recd for Rent of land for 1867 due Jan 1 st 1868.			131	00
	Total Debits for the period ending January 1 st 1868.			\$247	30
	By 10 per cent commission on entire Receipts this amt		24	73	
1	By this sum paid Taxes on said Estate for 1865		1	97	
2	By this sum paid one half Tax ticket for 1865		1	26	
3	By this sum paid one half of Tax ticket for 1866			89	
4	By this sum paid Taxes on said Estate for 1866		1	38	
5	" " " " Taxes on said estate for 1867.		4	46	
6	" " " " One half of Tax ticket for 1867.		2	84	
7	" " " " Sheriff's fee Bill from Sheriff 1867		2	50	
8	" " " " Sheriff's fee Bill in full.		2	00	
9	" " " " Jonas Smalley for Coffin Dec ^r 1866		9	50	
	By this sum unaccounted for this year to square		195	77	247 30
1869					
Jan 1	To this sum unaccounted for as per last years Statement			195	77
	" Interest thereon from Jan 1 st 1868 to January 1 1869.	11	74		
	" This sum collected in the way of attorneys fees			5	00
	" This sum Recd for Rent of land for 1868. due Jan 1 st 1869			80	00
	Total Debits for the year ending January 1 st 1869.			\$280	77
10	By this sum paid taxes on said Estate for 1868		3	55	
11	" " " " One half of Tax ticket for 1868		2	77	
12	" " " " Clerk's fee Bill		13	98	
13	" " " " M B D. Lane att. fees		37	00	
	amt Credits Carried Forward			\$57	30
	" Interest " "		14	36	

Amount Debits for the year ending Jan 1st 1869 Book Forward \$ 280.77

Accumulated Interest Book Forward 14 36

Amount Credits for this year on first page forward 57 30

14 By this Sum paid Hagan & Prudenore atts fee 15 00

15 " " " " Campbell & Thomas atts fee 54 50

16 " " " " Clerk circuit court fee Rice 1 25

17 " " " " Jas. M. Wheeler for repairs 52 15

18 " " " " Elizabeth Hill " 7 50

By this Sum unaccrued for this year to Square 93 07 280 77

James W. Orr, admr. of
William C. Golson dec'd.

Statement (C.D.)
of Administration Account.

C.D.

Virginia.

At a County Court continued and held for Lee County
at the Court House thereof, on Tuesday the 20th. day of November 1860.
On the motion of James B. and William C. Colson, who made oath as
administrators of John Colson Sr. deceased, and together with Chadwell
Brittain, Alexander K. Brent, Lavender N. Robinson and Hendley F.
Robinson, their securities, entered into and acknowledged a bond in
the penalty of \$10,000.⁰⁰, conditioned as the law directs. Letters of Admin-
istration are granted them, on the decedent's estate in due form.

A copy
Teste—

Henry J. Morgan Clerk

John Colson et als.

vs.

Henry Colson et als.

Exhibit A.

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Know all men by these Presents that we James W. Orr, Arthur J. B. McElroy, William W. Woodard, David Orr, William Elliott, Thomas Baylor, William McPherson, Thomas J. Brown, and Thomas S. Ely of Lee County are held and firmly bound unto the Commonwealth of Virginia in the just and full sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars, to the true payment whereof well and truly to be made to the said Commonwealth, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally, firmly by these Presents. Sealed with our seals and dated the 16th day of July 1866.

The condition of the above obligation is such that whereas the above bound James W. Orr was on the 24th day of May 1866. duly elected by the qualified voters of the County of Lee Sheriff thereof, to serve as such for the term of two years, commencing on the 1st day of January 1867, and after the said term of Office shall have expired until his successor is qualified to enter upon the discharge of the duties of said office.

Now if the said James W. Orr shall faithfully discharge the duties of his said office, according to law, then the above obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue. (Signed) J. W. Orr, A. J. B. McElroy, W. W. Woodard, David Orr, William Elliott, Thomas Baylor, William McPherson, Thomas J. Brown and Thomas Ely.

Virginia,

At a County Court begun and held for Lee County at the Courthouse thereof on Monday the 16th day of July 1866.

James W. Orr, who was on the 24th day of May 1866. duly elected Sheriff of the County of Lee, to serve as such for the term of two years, commencing on the 1st day of January 1867, and afterwards till his successor is qualified to enter upon the discharge of the duties thereof, this day appeared in Court and together with Arthur J. B. McElroy, William W. Woodard, David Orr, William Elliott, Thomas Baylor, William McPherson, Thomas J. Brown, and Thomas S. Ely, his securities, entered into and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of

of Thirty Thousand Dollars conditioned for the faithful execution of the duties of his Office. the bond aforesaid being duly stamped is ordered to be recorded by the Clerk of this Court, who is also directed to transmit a copy of said bond, and a copy of this order to the Auditor of Public Accounts, and thereupon the said James W. Orr took the several oaths prescribed by law.

A copy

Teste ~

Henry J. Morgan Clerk

John Cottonshall

at.

Henry Cottonshall.

Exhibit B.

Virginia,

Quarterly

At a County Court begun and held for Lee County
at the Courthouse thereof, on Monday the 18th day of June 1866.

It appearing to the Court that William E. Colson has been dead
for more than three months, and no person having applied for
Letters of Administration on his estate, on motion. It is order-
ed that the administration of the estate of said William E.
Colson be committed to James W. Orr, High Sheriff of Lee
County.

A copy

Teste

Henry J. Morgan Clerk

John Colson etals

vs.

Henry Colson etals.

Exhibit C.

This Deed made and entered into this 6th. day of July 1857
by and between John Colson Sr of the one part, and William E.
Colson of the other part, all of the County of Lee and State of
Virginia Witnesseth. That the said John Colson Sr. for the Con-
sideration of the sum of five hundred dollars to him in hand
paid, and also for the Consideration of the natural love and
affection he has for his said son William E. Colson, have
this day given, granted, bargained, and sold to the said
William E. Colson a certain tract or parcel of land, lying in
Lee County Virginia, and on both sides of the main road
leading through said County, and supposed to contain eighty
three Acres, be the same more or less, and bounded as follows:
Beginning at a double Sycamore on the bank of a branch
a corner land now occupied by Thomas W. Brent and thence
S 50° W. 53 poles to a locust, thence N. 41° W. 40 poles to a stake on the
side of said road, thence with the middle of the said road (and
S 56° W. 20 poles to a stake in the middle of the said road
near a persimmon Sprout thence N 41° W. 44 poles to a black oak
near the corner of a field thence N 23 3/4° W. 190 poles to a Sugar
tree among or near rocks thence N 74° E. 40 poles to a stake a cor-
ner of said land occupied by said Thos. W. Brent, thence S 35° E.
200 poles with said line of said Brent's to a stake thence S 67° E.
8 poles to a stake near the said road, thence E. 46 E. 47 poles to the
Beginning, together with all its appurtenances and profits arising
therefrom unto the said William E. Colson and his heirs to the sole
use and behoof of him, the said William E. Colson and his
heirs (after my natural life) forever. And I, the said John Colson
Sr. for myself and my heirs doth covenant with the said William
E. Colson and his heirs to warrant the right, title, and possess-
-ion of the said tract or parcel of land with its appurtenances
unto the said William E. Colson and his heirs (after my death)
against all persons lawfully claiming or to claim the same or
any part thereof. Witness the following signatures and

seals.

Teste - Wm S. Ely & 2
Jas. B. Colson

John Colson 

Virginia, Lee County, to wit: -

I, Robert M. Ely, a Justice of the Peace for the County and State aforesaid, do certify that John Colson, whose name is signed to the writing and deed hereto annexed bearing date the 6th day of July 1859 has acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid. Given under my hand July 6th. 1859.

Robert M. Ely J. P.

Virginia,

At a Court of Quarter Sessions continued and held for Lee County, at the Courthouse thereof, on Thursday the 18th day of August 1859 -

This Indenture of bargain and sale for land between John Colson &c of the one part, and William E. Colson of the other part, was admitted to records upon the certificate of a Justice of Lee County.

Teste - H. J. Morgan C. C.

A copy -

Teste - Henry J. Morgan C. C.

William C.
James A. Colson

From } Copy of Deed.

John Colson Sr.

No. 1.

Fee for copy 50 cts.

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James B. Colson

From } Copy of Deed.

John Colson Sr

No 2.

Fee for Copy 50cts.

ch 25

This Deed made and entered into on the 5th. day of August 1857, by and between John Colson Sr. of the one part, and James B. Colson of the other part, both of the County of Lee, and State of Virginia Witnesseth. that the said John Colson Sr. for the Consideration of the sum of five hundred and fifty dollars to him in hand paid by the said James B. Colson, have this day bargained and sold, and by these Presents do convey unto the said James B. Colson, a certain tract or parcel of land lying in said County, and on both sides of the main road leading through said County, containing fifty acres, be the same more or less, and bounded as follows: - Beginning at a Locust, a corner of William E. Colson, and with a line of his N 41° W. 40 poles to a stake by the side of said road, being a corner of said William E. Colson, and thence S 6° W. 21 poles to a stake in the middle of said Road near a Persimmon sprout, an other corner of said William E. Colson, and thence N 41° W. 25 poles to a stake thence S 60° W. 73 poles to a stake on a line of Thomas P. Ensor's and thence with a line of his S 34° E 106 poles to a stake corner of said Ensor thence N 42½° E. 66 poles with a line of Daniel Litterell's to a black & white oak, a corner of said Litterell's thence N. 90° E 20 poles to a double white oak, another corner of said Litterell's, thence N. 50° E. 20 poles to the Beginning, together with all its appurtenances and profits arising therefrom to the said James B. Colson and his heirs, to the sole use and behoof of him the said James B. Colson and his heirs. And the said John Colson Sr. for himself and his heirs doth covenant with the said James B. Colson and his heirs do warrant the right, title, and possession of the said tract or parcel of land to the said James B. Colson and his heirs forever against the lawful claim or claims of all persons whatsoever. Witness the following signatures and seal.

John ^{his} Colson Sr. Seal
mark

Lee County to wit:—

I, Robert M. Ely, a Justice of the Peace in the State of Virginia, and in the County aforesaid, do certify that John Colson Sr. whose name is signed to the above writing and hereto annexed bearing date on the 5th. day of August 1859, has acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid. Given under my hand this 6th. day of August 1859.

Robert M. Ely J.P.

Virginia,

At a Court of Quarter Sessions continued and held for Lee County at the Courthouse thereof on Thursday the 18th day of August 1859.

This Indenture of bargain and sale for land between John Colson Sr. of the one part, and James B. Colson of the other part, was admitted to record upon the Certificate of a Justice of Lee County
Lester H. J. Morgan Clerk

A copy—

Lester H. J. Morgan Clerk

James B. & Wm E. Colson

From } Copy of Deed
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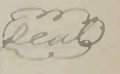
John Colson Sr

No 3

Fee for copy 50 cts.

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This Deed made and entered into on this 13th day of March 1860 between John Colson Sr. of the one part, and James B. Colson and William C. Colson of the other part, all of the County of Lee and State of Virginia. Witnesseth that the said John Colson Sr. for the Consideration of the sum of one thousand dollars, lawful money to him in hand paid by the said James B. and William C. Colson, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have this day bargained and sold, and by these presents doth convey unto the said James B. and William C. Colson, a certain tract or parcel of land, lying in the said County of Lee, and on the waters of Indian Creek, containing one hundred acres, or the entire remains of my land, be the same more or less and bounded as follows: on the South by the lands of the said James B. Colson, on the West by the lands of Thomas P. Ensor, and George H. Hoskins, on the North by the lands of Henry Colson and said Hoskins, and on the East by the lands of said William C. Colson, together with all its appurtenances and profits arising therefrom unto the said James B. and William C. Colson, to the sole use and behoof of them, the said James B. and William C. Colson and their heirs and assigns forever, and the said John Colson Sr. for himself and his heirs, doth covenant with the said James B. and William C. Colson, their heirs and assigns, to warrant the right, title and possession of the said land unto the said James B. and William C. Colson, against the lawfull claims of all persons whatsoever. But the said John Colson is to retain the possession of said land and have the rents and profits thereof, during his natural life. Witness the following signature and seals.

John Colson Sr. 

Lee County Court:—

I, Robert M. Ely, a Justice of the Peace for the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia, do certify that John Colson Sr. whose name is signed to the writing above, bearing date on the 13th day of March 1860, has acknowledged the same before me, in my County aforesaid, on the 21st day of April 1860. Given under

my hand this 21st. day of March 1860.

Robert M. Ely J.P.

Lee County Court, Clerk's Office, the 9th. day of May 1860. This Indenture of bargain and sale for land between John Colson Jr. of the one part, and James B. and William E. Colson of the other part, was admitted to record upon the certificate of a Justice of the Peace in and for Lee County.

Teste - H. J. Morgan Clerk

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Teste - H. J. Morgan Clerk

James B. & William E. Colson Admrs. of the Estate of John Colson, Sr. dec'd.
To the heirs and distributees of said Estate Dr.

Debits.

To amt of Sale Bill sold Dec: 8 th 1860 Due Dec: 8 th 1861 this sum	330.50
" " " Interest on same from Dec: 8 th 1861 to Sept: 11 th 1866.	94. 19
" " " one note on Jas. B. Colson charged in Bill of appraisit.	500.00
" " " Interest on same up to Sept: 11 th 1866	127. 50
" " " one Note on William E. Colson charged in Bill of appraisit.	500.00
" " " Interest on same to Sept: 11 th 1866.	127. 50
Total Amt of Principal Charges up to Sept: 11 th 1866 this sum	1330.50
" " " Interest " " " " " " " "	349. 19

Credits.

1. By Amt paid Thos. J. Brown, Sheriff Taxes June 4 th . 1863.	14. 48
" " of interest on same to Sept: 11 th . 1866.	5.06
2. " " paid William S. Martin Shff taxes July 5 th . 1861.	3. 43
" " interest on same to September 11 th 1866.	1.06
3 " " paid Wm S. Martin, Shff. Taxes Feb. 5 th . 1861.	8. 60
" " interest on same to September 11 th 1866.	2. 88
4 " " paid Thos. J. Brown Sheriff Taxes Feb: 5 th 1861.	27. 97
" " interest on same to September 11 th 1866.	9. 36
5 " " paid Rebecca Shumate, an heir, June 13 th 1862	105.00
" " interest on same to September 11 th 1866.	27. 77
6. " " paid Patrick Leonard January 1 st . 1861	5.00
" " interest on same to Sept. 11 th . 1866.	1. 70
7 " " paid T. J. Brown Sheriff fee Dec: 7 th . 1860.	1.50
" " interest on same to Sept: 11 th . 1866.	.57
8 " " paid Isaac T. Bishop, Sheriff taxes Sept: 1861.	7.01
" " interest on same to Sept: 11 th 1866.	3. 50
9. " " paid Juliana Snellan, an heir, Sept: 11 th 1866.	65.53
" 7 per cent Commission on \$238.52 his disbursements	16.69
Total Amt of Disbursements including Commission	255.21
" " " Interest Credits - - - - -	50. 84

Am't Principal Charges Brought Forward.		\$1330.50
" Interest " " " "	349.19	
Am't Principal Credits brought Forward		255.20
" Interest " " " "	50.84	
Deducting principal Cr. from prin. char. leave unaccounted for		1075.29
" Interest " " Interest " " " "	398.35	
Add for interest on \$1075.29 from 11 th Sept. 1866 to 11 th Oct. 1866.	5.37	
Interest unaccounted for Oct. 11 th . 1866. this sum	303.72	303.72
Principal + Interest unaccounted for Oct. 11 th 1866 this sum		\$1379.01

Report.

To the Worshipful County Court of Lee County

The undersigned, as one of your Worship's Commissioners would respectfully beg leave to state that at the request of James B. Colson, one of the Admrs. of the estate of John Colson Sr. deceased, I posted at the front door of the Courthouse of Lee County on Monday the 17th day of September 1866, that being Court day, notice that the account of said Colson as Administrator as aforesaid was then before me for settlement. And on the 11th day of October 1866. I proceeded to state, settle, and adjust the account of their administration as shown and set forth in the foregoing statement.

By a reference thereto it will be seen that I have charged the said Administrators with the amount of the Sale Bill of personal property amounting to \$330.50, I have charged them with interest on the same from the time it became due to the 11th day of Sept. 1866 which amounts to \$94.19. I also charged them with two notes found in the bill of Appraisement of \$500 each and interest on these two notes from the time they became due up to the 11th of Sept. 1866 making the principal Charges amount to the sum of \$1330.50, and the interest charges to \$349.19 on the 11th day of September 1866. All of which is shown under the head of debits.

Under the head of Credits I have allowed the Admrs sundry Credits for disbursements made by them vouchers for all which

are here filed marked from 1 to 9 inclusive, amounting in the aggregate to \$238.52 Exclusive of Commission. I also allowed the Admrs a Commission of 7 per Cent on their disbursements which amounts to \$16.69. Their disbursements and Commission therefore amount to \$255.21 leaving a balance of principal money in the hand of the Admrs unaccounted for on the 11th of Sept. 1866 of \$1075.29 I will further allowed the Admrs. interest on their disbursements from the time they were paid to the 11th of Sept. 1866, which amounts to \$50.34 leaving a balance of interest in the Admrs hands, unaccounted for on the 11th Sept. 1866 of \$298.35 I have therefore charged them interest on the principal \$1075.29 from Sept. 11 1866 to this 11th of Oct. 1866. which amounts to \$5.37. This sum therefore added to the interest which was still unaccounted for on the 11th Sept. 1866 makes the sum of \$303.72. The principal and interest therefore due on this 11th day of Oct. 1866 amounts to the sum of \$1379.01 and \$1075.29 thereof, being principal money will bear interest from this date. All of which is fully set forth in the foregoing statement. The Sale Bill and Bill of Appraisement are here with filed marked A & B. The Bond of the Admrs. is good, and the Sureties therein ample. I have retained this account in my hands more than 10 days from the day of making the same, during all which time no exception has been taken thereto. All which is respectfully submitted.

Levors fee for 4 hours services
is \$3.00.

B. M. Morgan Levor, witness
County Court of Lee County
Oct. 11th. 1866.

Virginia.

At a County Court continued and held for Lee County, at the Courthouse thereof, on Thursday the 21st day of February 1867.

James B and William B. Colson, Admrs of John Colson decd. this day produced to the Court a settlement & report of their Administration Account, made by B. M. Morgan a Commissioner of this Court, bearing date the 11th day of October 1866. which settlement and report being seen and inspected by the Court, and no exception being taken thereto, and the same having been filed in the Clerk's office more than 30 days prior to this day, it is therefore ordered that the said settlement and report be confirmed, and the Clerk of this Court is ordered to record the same.

A copy - Teste - Henry J. Morgan Clerk
Teste - Henry J. Morgan Levor.

Jas. B. & Wm. E. Colson, Admins.
of the Estate of John Colson Sr.
Copy of Settlement No. 1. with
B. M. Morgan, Comr.

Fee for Copy \$1.50

Lee County Virginia

July 16~1866.

We, Thos. J. Brown, George H. Hoskins, and Thos. P. Ensor, pursuant to an order of the County Court of said County, after being duly sworn according to law, have this day proceeded to appraise the personal property of William E. Colson deceased as follows to-wit:

	\$	cts.		\$	cts.
1 Black Cow	25	00	1 Turning Plow	3	00
1 acct on James B. Colson for 1 Cow	25	00	3 Pot vessels	4	00
1 Bedsted	4	00	1 Pot Rack	1	00
1 Old Trunk	1	00	1 Chest	1	00
1 Clock	5	00	1 Bureau	5	00
1 8 Gallon Pot	1	00	1 acct on Henry Colson	20	
2 Chairs 1/2	.50		Bushles of corn	10	00
				85	50

Thos. J. Brown

G. H. Hoskins

Thos. P. Ensor

A copy -

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 Lest ~ Henry J. Morgan Clerk,

Thos. J. Brown et als. Appraisers

of Copy of Appraisement

William E. Colson Dec'd.

(C)

Fee for Copy 20cts.

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Sale Bill of the Personal Property of the Estate of William E. Colson, deceased. on the 28th. day of July 1866.

1 Bedstead to Jonathan Thompson	\$ 6. 00	20 Bushels of Corn to D. Colson	\$ 10. 00
1 Trunk " James B. Colson	1. 60	57 Dozen Oats to Jas. B. Colson	5. 00
1 Ten Gallon Pot to Jas. Brent	4. 00	10 " Rye to Sylvester Thompson	2. 60
1 Two " " " H. Y. Colson	1. 30	1 Cow to Jas. B. Colson	25. 00
1 Baker to J. B. Colson	1. 40	1 Chest + small table to Francis Lenard	1. 50
1 Bake Oven to J. B. Colson	. 50	1 old Bureau to Jas. B. Colson	1. 00
1 Pot Rack " David Colson	1. 60	Rent of farm for year 1867 to E. M. Hill	131. 00
1 Turning Plow to Jas. B. Colson	4. 75		
2 Chairs to Henry C. Cinnamon	1. 15		
1 Clock " Henry T. Colson	5. 25	Decr. 11/66. sold rent Corn of	
1 Cow " Henry Colson	32. 50	said farm to Jas. B. Colson	11. 15

(signed) James W. Orr Admr.

A copy - Leste

Henry J. Morgan Clerk

James W. Orr

ads } Copy of Sale Bill

} John Colson et al

(Y)

Fee for Copy 20cts.

Henry Colson
Nepis, Mount Pearlfield. Mary Pearlfield. Thomas
Colson. Noel Colson. David Colson. James B Colson. Noel Colson
on fr. James Colson. Samuel Shoemate Eliza Ann
Shoemate. Job Colson. Thomas Colson. Florence
Colson. Elizabeth Colson. Timathie Hobbs. George H
Haskins. James H Orr. Marianne D Richmond. Dana
Orr. Mrs R Grayham. Chas. Hunter. John C
Harris. John P Orr. Alexander Wynn. David
M Orr. Mrs Elliott. Alexander Orr. Elifak S Bishop.
-of. John A Wynn. Isaac T Bishop. Chadwell
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-son. and Henry F Robinson. Please take note
we will on the ^{signature} first day of September
1867. at the store house of Bull
& Wheeler in Lee county in the state of
Virginia take the depositions of Job B
Crutcher and others to be read as evidence on
our behalf. in the trial of the suit in chancery
now pending in the Lee circuit court wherein
we are complainants and you are defendants
if from any cause we should be prevented
from taking all of said depositions on
that day and at that place, we will
defer the taking thereof, from day
to day and time to time and place to
place until all are taken. you can
attend if you please yours Respectfully
August the 20th 1867

Rebecca Shoemate
John Colson

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Virginia.

At Rules held in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of
Lee County, on Monday the 4th. day of February 1867.

John Colson, Arva Colson, David Colson (who sues by his
next friend John Colson) Gailey Shumate, and Rebecca his wife
and James F. Snellan and Rachael his wife — — — Plaintiffs
against

Henry Colson, Mount Percyfield and Mary his wife, Thomas
Colson, Asell Colson, David Colson, James B. Colson,
Asell Colson Jr, James Colson, Samuel Shumate, and Eliza Ann
his wife, Job Colson, Thomas Colson, Flora Colson, Elizabeth
Colson, Timothy Hobbs, George H. Hobbs, James H. Orr, Marion
D. Richmond, David Orr, William R. Graham, Champ Hamblen,
John C. Harris, John P. Orr, Alexander Wynn, David M. Orr, William
Elliott, Alexander Orr, Elijah S. Bishop, John N. Wynn,
Isaac S. Bishop, Lehadwell Brittain, Alexander K. Brent,
Lavender N. Robinson, and Hendley F. Robinson. Defendants

In Chancery

The object of this suit is to obtain a Decree of the Court
pronouncing a certain Deed in the Bill and amended Bill
mentioned null and void, and to have a settlement of the account of
James B and William E. Colson, administrators of John Col-
son deceased. And likewise a settlement of the administration
account of James H. Orr, administrator of said William E. Col-
son deceased; and also for an Equitable distribution among
the parties, of the proceeds of the said Estates, having reference to ad-
vancements made to some of the parties by John Colson Sr.
deceased, in his lifetime. And it appearing from evidence filed
that Mary Percyfield, Mount Percyfield, Thomas Colson, David Colson,
James Colson and Hendley F. Robinson are non-resi-
dents of this Commonwealth, They are therefore ordered to appear
here within one month after due publication of this order, and
do what is necessary to protect their interests in this suit.
Teste — Henry J. Morgan clerk

Virginia Lee County to wit: - Henry J. Morgan
Clerk of the Circuit Court of Lee County this day made
oath before me that on Monday the 18th. day of Febru-
ary 1867, he posted a copy of the within order of
publication at the front door of the Courthouse of Lee
County. Given under my hand this day of
1867. J.P.

John Cotton et al
vs. my
Order of Publication
Henry Cotton et al.

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Myself John Colson, Aruey Colson, David Colson, Rebecca
Shumate Bailey Shumate Rachel Snelling & James Y Snelling.
Take notice that on the 17th day of August 1867 at the residence
of James B. Colson in Lee County Va I will proceed to take the
depositions of Thomas Brent and others. which depositions are
intended to be read as evidence in our behalf in a certain
Chancery suit now pending in the Circuit Court of said
County. in which you are plaintiffs and we and others
are defendants. The taking of said depositions will be
continued from day to day and from place to place
if necessary - until completed. You can attend and cross examine if
you choose Respectfully &c James B. Colson
July 19th 1867.

& James W. Orr & others of
~~John Colson. Aruey Colson. David Colson.~~
Deceased.

Geo B. Colson Jas. H. Orr and
others.

vs 3 Notice

John Colson & others

July 19th 1867-

Executed by deliver-
ing a true copy
of the within notice

To Amey Colson David Colson

Mother Rebecca Shumate Badgley

Shumate Rachael Snelling

and Jas. H. Snelling -

Thos. J. Brown, D.D.

See County to wit

To James H. Snelling Constable of said County of M.S. Ball of Justice of the said County do command you that you summons Richard Crabtree J. B.

Crabtree, Balis, Little, Eliza, Bolson
^{A. J. Fulton Balis, Shamate Harry Bolson John Bolton}
^{Henderson Little, Jessy Late, George}
^{William McNeale}

Bolson to appear before me or such other Justice as may be then and there sitting upon the in a suit now pending in

the circuit court of See on the 8th day of April 1867 at widow Ely residence

in the said County to testify and the to say in behalf of Harry Bolson

John Bolson James H. Snelling David Bolson Balis Shamate in a certain matter of controversy depending and

undetermined between James B. Bolson and others and here then and there this

summons given under my hand and seal this 11th day of March 1867

M. S. Ball, J. P. (Seal)

Attest: by Sam
and my wife late
Richard Bolson
John B. Bolson
Eliza Bolson
George Bolson
John Bolson
James H. Snelling
David Bolson
Balis Shamate
this 2nd day
of March 1867
James H. Snelling
J. H.

Mr John P. Orr David M. Orr Alexander Orr
Please take notice we will on the sixteenth
day of November 1867 at the store house of
Wm. B. & C. Ball in Lee County in the State of
Virginia take the depositions of Job P. Crabtree and
others to be read as evidence on our behalf in
the trial in chancery now pending in the Lee
circuit court wherein we are complainants and
you defendants of from any cause we should be
prevented from taking all of said depositions on
that day and at that place we will adjourn
the taking there of from day to day and time
to time place to place untill all are taken
you can attend if you please yours Respectfully
August 20th 1867

John Colson
Mary Colson
David Colson
James F. Snellen
Rachel Snellen
Bulis Shumate
Rebecca Shumate

I, Alexander D. Stout, do certify that I handed
a copy of the within notice to John P. Orr, David
M. Orr and Alexander Orr, to whom the same is
directed. Given under my hand this 21st. day of October 1867.

A. D. Stout

Sworn to & subscribed before me, J. B. West deputy
Clerk County Court of Lee County, this 21st. day of October 1867.

J. B. West D. Ck.

John Leason et al.

vs. } Notice

John P. Orr et al.

Mepers Henry Colson, Mary Percifield, Mount
Percifield, Thomas Colson Noel Colson, David
Colson, James B Colson, Noel Colson Jr, James
Colson Elizabeth Shoemate, Samuel Shoemate
Job Colson, Thomas Colson, Flora Colson
Elizabeth Colson, Timatha Hobbs, James Worr
M D Richmond, David Orr Mrs Graham
Champ Hamblin John C. Harris, John P.
Orr, Alexander Wynn David M Orr Wm
Elliott, Alexander Orr C. S. Bishop John
N. Wynn Isaac T Bishop, Chaswell Bilton
A H Brent C A Robinson H F Robinson &
George H Hoskins. Please take notice
we will on the eighth day of april next
at the house of Peggy Baly in the county of
Lee in the state of Virginia take the
depositions of William Martin & others
to be read as evidence on behalf of the
complainers in the trial of the suit
in chancery pending in the Lee circuit
court, wherein we are complainers and
you are defendants, and if from any
cause said depositions should not be
fully taken on that day, we will exa-
mine from day to day and from time
to time and place to place until they
are all taken, you can attend if you please
yours respectfully, July the 18th 1867,

John Colson

Arvey Colson

David Colson

Rebecca Shoemate

Baileys Shoemate

Rachael ~~Robinson~~ Snelling

James F Snelling

exhibited by deliver a true copy of the
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Please take notice

We will on the sixteenth of November, 1867
at the store house of Ball & Wheeler in
Lee County in the state of Virginia take
the depositions of Job B Crabtree and others
to be read as Evidence on our behalf in the
trial of the suit in chancery now pending
in the Lee circuit Court wherein we are
Complainants and you are defendants of
from any cause we should be prevented
from taking all of said depositions
On that day and at that place we will
adjourn the taking thereof from day
to day and time to time and place to
place untill all are taken you can
attend if you please. Yours Respectfully
August 20th 1867

John Colson

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John Colson & others

vs { Native

Thomas Colson

Timothy Hobbs

Please take notice

we will on the Sixteenth of November, 1867
at the store house Ball & Wheeler in Lee
County in the state Virginia take the depositions
of John B. Crabtree and others to be read as
evidence on our behalf in the trial of the
suit in Chancery now pending in the
Lee circuit Court wherein we are, Complainants
and you are defendants of and cause we
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August 20th 1867

John Colson
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John Calson & others

vs { Natick

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Elizabeth Colson

Please take notice we will

On the sixteenth day of November 1867 at the
store house of Hall & Wheeler in Lee County
in the State of Virginia take the depositions
of Job B Crabtree and others to be read
as Evidence on ~~our~~ ^{their} behalf in the trial
of the Suit in (Chancery now pending)
in the Lee Circuit Court wherein we are
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August 20th 1867

John Colson
Anna Colson
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James F. Snelling
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John Colson + al

vs $\frac{1}{2}$ Natick

Elizabeth Colson

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Florence Colson

Please take notice we will
On the sixteenth of November 1867
At the store house Ball & Wheeler in Lee
County in the state of Virginia take the
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and you are defendants of ^{from} any cause we
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said depositions on that day and at that
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You can attend if you please

August 20, 1867 Yours Respectfully

John Colson

Anna Colson

David Colson

James ^{Jr.} Snelling

Rachel Snelling

Baileys Shuermate

Rebecca Shuermate

John Calson & al.

vs { Native

Florence Calson

The Commonwealth of Virginia,

TO THE SHERIFF OF LEE COUNTY, GREETING:

WE COMMAND YOU TO SUMMON

*Henry Colson, Mount Panyfield and wife, Thomas Colson,
Noell Colson, David Colson, James B. Colson, Noell Colson Jr. James Colson
Samuel Shumate and Eliza Ann his wife, Job Colson, Thomas Colson,
Flora and Elizabeth Colson, Lincathy Hobbs, George H. Hookins, James W. Orr
Marion D. Richmond, David Orr, William R. Graham, Lehanup Hamblin,
John C. Harris, John P. Orr, Alexander Wynn, David W. Orr, William Elliott,
Alexander Orr, Elijah S. Bishop, John A. Wynn, Isaac T. Bishop, Chadwell Brittain
Alexander R. Brent, Cavender N. Robinson, and Hendley F. Robinson*

to appear before the Judge of our Circuit Court for Lee county, at the Court House, in the Clerk's office, at Rules to
be holden for the said Court, on the *1st* Monday in *November* next, to answer a bill in Chancery
exhibited in our said Court, against *them* by *John Colson, Arva Colson*

*David Colson (who sues by his next friend John Colson) Bailey Shumate
and Rebecca his wife, and James F. Snellan and Rachael his wife.*

And have then there this writ. Witness, HENRY J. MORGAN Clerk, of our said Court, at the Court House,
this *28th* day of *September*, 186*6*, in the *91st* year of the Commonwealth.

Attest *Henry J. Morgan* Clerk.

Henry J. Morgan C. C.

The Commonwealth of Virginia,

TO THE SHERIFF OF LEE COUNTY, GREETING:

WE COMMAND YOU TO SUMMON *Henry Colson, Mount Puryfield & Mary his wife, Thomas Colson, Noell Colson, David Colson, James B. Colson, Noell Colson Jr, James Colson, Samuel Shumate and Elizabeth his wife, Job Colson, Thomas Colson, Flora Colson, Elizabeth Colson, Timothy Holt, George H. Watkins, James W. Orr, Marion D. Richmond, David Orr, William K. Graham, Chas. H. Hamlin, John C. Harris, John P. Orr, Alexander Thym, David M. Orr, William Elliott, Alexander Orr, Elijah S. Bishop, John N. Thym, Isaac T. Bishop, Chadwell Britton, Alexander K. Brent, Cavender N. Robinson, and Hendley F. Robinson*

to appear before the Judge of our Circuit Court for Lee county, at the Court House, in the Clerk's office, at Rules to be holden for the said Court, on the *1st* Monday in *November* next, to answer a bill in Chancery exhibited in our said Court, against *them*

by *John Colson, Henry Colson*
David Colson (who sues by his next friend John Colson) Bailey Shumate
and Rebecca his wife, and James F. Snellon and Rachael
his wife.

And have then there this writ. Witness, HENRY J. MORGAN Clerk, of our said Court, at the Court House, this *26th* day of *September*, 1866, in the *11th* year of the Commonwealth.

Henry J. Morgan Clerk.



October 15th 1866. Executed by delivering an attested office.

Copy to David Orr Alexander Esq. Marion I Richmond.

William R Graham, Chamberlain, Hamilton, John A Harris

John P Orr, Alexander Hays, David M Orr, William Elliott

J. W. Orr, S. S. A.

(S) (Bt)
John Colson et als.
vs } Sp. in Chancery.

Henry Colson et als.
November Rules 1866.

October 4th 1866
Executed by delivering
an attested office copy
to E. S. Bishop, J. T. Bishop
C. Brittain Saml. Thumate
and wife Job. Thos. Niell.
Henry James B. Elizabeth
Flora Colson and George
H. Hoskins. Timothy Hobbs,
Alexander Myers John W.
Wynn Jas. N. Orr, C. R.
Robinson

Thos. J. Brown, D. S.

Nothing paid

The Commonwealth of Virginia,

TO THE SHERIFF OF LEE COUNTY, GREETING:

WE COMMAND YOU TO SUMMON *Henry Colson, Mount Purgfield and Mary his wife, Thomas Colson, Nell Colson, David Colson, James B. Colson, Nell Colson, James Colson, Samuel Shumate and Eliza Ann his wife, Job Colson, Thomas Colson, Flora and Elizabeth Colson, Timothy Hobbs, George H. Haskins, James W. Orr, Marion D. Richmond, David Orr, William R. Graham, Champ Hamblin, John L. Harris, John P. Orr, Alexander Wynn, David M. Orr, William Elliott, Alexander Orr, Elijah S. Bishop, John H. Wynn, Isaac S. Bishop, Lehadwell Brittain, Alexander K. Brent, Leander N. Robinson and Hendley F. Robinson*

to appear before the Judge of our Circuit Court for Lee county, at the Court House, in the Clerk's office, at Rules to be holden for the said Court, on the *1st* Monday in *November* next, to answer a bill in Chancery exhibited in our said Court, against *them*

by *John Colson, Anna Colson*
David Colson (who sues by his next friend John Colson) Bailey Shumate and Rebecca his wife, and James F. Snellman and Rachael his wife.

And have then there this writ. Witness, HENRY J. MORGAN, Clerk of our said Court, at the Court House, this *26th* day of *September*, 186*6*, in the *41st* year of the Commonwealth.

Atcopy Henry J. Morgan Clerk.
Teste Henry J. Morgan C. C.

The Commonwealth of Virginia,

TO THE SHERIFF OF LEE COUNTY, GREETING;

WE COMMAND YOU TO SUMMON Henry Colson, Mount Percyfield & Mary his wife, Thomas Colson, Noell Colson, David Colson, James P. Colson, Noell Colson Jr, James Colson, Samuel Shumate and Eliza Ann his wife, Jobb Colson, Thomas Colson, Flora Colson, Elizabeth Colson, Timothy Dobb, George H. Hoskins, James W. Orr, Marion D. Richmond, David Orr, William R. Graham, Chasms Hamblin, John C. Harris, John P. Orr, Alexander Wynn, David M. Orr, William Elliott, Alexander Orr, Elijah S. Bishop, John N. Wynn, Isaac S. Bishop, Chadwell Brittain, Alexander K. Brent, Cavender A. Robinson and Hendley F. Robinson

to appear before the Judge of our Circuit Court for Lee county, at the Court House, in the Clerk's office, at Rules to be holden for the said Court, on the 1st Monday in November next, to answer a bill in Chancery exhibited in our said Court, against them

by John Colson, Arva Colson, David Colson (who sues by his next friend John Colson) Bailey Shumate and Rebecca his wife, and James F. Snellman and Rachael his wife.

And have then there this writ. Witness, HENRY J. MORGAN Clerk, of our said Court, at the Court House, this 26th day of September, 1866, in the 91st year of the Commonwealth.

A copy - Henry J. Morgan Clerk.
Testem Henry J. Morgan C. C.

The Commonwealth of Virginia,

TO THE SHERIFF OF LEE COUNTY, GREETING,

WE COMMAND YOU TO SUMMON Henry Colson, Mount Puryfield and Mary his wife, Thomas Colson, Noell Colson, David Colson, James B. Colson, Noell Colson Jr, James Colson, Samuel Shumate and Eliza Ann his wife, Job Colson, Thomas Colson, Flora and Eliza beth Colson, Timothy Hobbs, George H. Hawkins, James W. Orr, Marion D. Richmond, David Orr, William R. Graham, Lehamph Hamblin, John C. Harris, John P. Orr, Alexander Wynn, David M. Orr, William Elliott, Alexander Orr, Elijah S. Bishop, John N. Wynn, Isaac T. Bishop, Lehadwell Brittain, Alexander K. Brent, Cavender A. Robinson and Hendley F. Robinson

to appear before the Judge of our Circuit Court for Lee county, at the Court House, in the Clerk's office, at Rules to be holden for the said Court, on the 1st Monday in November next, to answer a bill in Chancery exhibited in our said Court, against them

by John Colson, Arva Colson, David Colson (who sues by his next friend John Colson), Bailey Shumate and Rebecca his wife, and James F. Snellan and Rachael his wife.

And have then there this writ. Witness, HENRY J. MORGAN Clerk, of our said Court, at the Court House, this 28th day of September, 1866, in the 91st year of the Commonwealth.

A copy Henry J. Morgan Clerk.

Teste - Henry J. Morgan Clerk

The Commonwealth of Virginia,

TO THE SHERIFF OF LEE COUNTY, GREETING!

WE COMMAND YOU TO SUMMON Henry Colson, Mount Percy field ^{Marriage} and wife, Thomas Colson, Nell Colson, David Colson, James B. Colson, Nell Colson & James Colson, Samuel Shumate and Eliza Ann his wife, Job Colson, Thomas Colson, Flora & Elizabeth Colson, Timothy Hobbs, George W. Shooklin, James H. Orr, Marion D. Richmond, David Orr, William R. Leraham, Lechamp Stamblin, John L. Harris, John P. Orr, Alexander Wynn, David M. Orr, William Elliott, Alexander Orr, Elijah S. Bishop, John N. Wynn, Isaac S. Bishop, Chadwell Brittain, Alexander K. Brent, Cavender N. Robinson and Hendley S. Robinson.

to appear before the Judge of our Circuit Court for Lee county, at the Court House, in the Clerk's office, at Rules to be holden for the said Court, on the 1st Monday in November next, to answer a bill in Chancery exhibited in our said Court, against them

by John Colson, Arva Colson, David Colson (who sues by his next friend John Colson) Bailey Shumate and Rebecca his wife, and James S. Snellan and Rachael his wife.

And have then there this writ. Witness, HENRY J. MORGAN Clerk, of our said Court, at the Court House, this 26th. day of September, 1866, in the 91st year of the Commonwealth.

Attest. Henry J. Morgan Clerk.
Henry J. Morgan C.C.

The Commonwealth of Virginia,

TO THE SHERIFF OF LEE COUNTY—GREETING:

WE COMMAND YOU TO SUMMON *Henry Colson, Mount Perryfield & Mary his wife, Thomas Colson, Asell Colson, David Colson, James B. Colson, Asell Colson Jr, James L. Colson, Samuel Shumate & Eliza Ann his wife, Job Colson, Thomas Colson, Flora Colson, Elizabeth Colson, Timothy Hobbs, George N. Hopkins, James W. Orr, Marion D. Richmond, David Orr, William R. Graham, Champ Hamblin, John C. Harris, John P. Orr, Alexander Wynn, David M. Orr, William Elliott, Alexander Orr, Elijah S. Bishop, John N. Wynn, Isaac T. Bishop, Chadwell Brittain, Alexander H. Brent, Lavender N. Robinson & Wendley F. Robinson.*

to appear before the Judge of our Circuit Court for Lee county, at the Court House, in the Clerk's office, at Rules to be holden for the said Court, on the *1st* Monday in *March* next, to answer ^{*an amended*} a bill in Chancery exhibited in our said Court, against *them*.

by *John Colson, Arva Colson, David Colson (who sues by his next friend John Colson) Bailey Shumate and Rebecca his wife, and James T. Sorellin & Rachael his wife.*

And have then there this writ. WITNESS, HENRY J. MORGAN, Clerk of our said Court, at the Court House, this *26th* day of *January* 1867, in the *91st* year of the Commonwealth.

Henry J. Morgan Clerk.

~~John~~ 1861

March 4th 1861.

Executed on Merits J. Richardson, David Dr. William R. Gosham.
Charles Hamblen, John C. Harris, John P. Dr. Alexander Wyer. David Dr.
Dr. William Elliott, Alexander Dr. John R. Wyer.

J. W. Dr. S. & C.

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(S)
John Henry Colson et als.

vs } Spain Chancery

Henry Colson et als.
March Rules 1867.

February 18th 1867—

Executed by delivering an
attested office copy to Chad-
well Brittain, Samuel Shumate,
Eliza on his wife, George A. Mos Kent,
Henry Colson, Jas B. Colson
Noel Colson, Job Colson, Theo.
Colson, George Colson, Elizabeth
Colson, Timothy Hobbs C. S. Robin-
son, J. T. Bishop, Elijah S. Bishop
A. H. Brink, dead A. H.

Robinson Mount Careyfield
and wife David Colson
Noel Colson Theo. Colson
now Residence of this
Commonwealth

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Pro J. Brown, D. D.

The Commonwealth of Virginia,

TO THE SHERIFF OF LEE COUNTY—GREETING:

^{again}
WE COMMAND YOU TO SUMMON *Henry Colson, Mount Percyfield & Mary his wife,*
Thomas Colson, Howell Colson, David Colson, James B. Colson, Howell Colson Jr.
James C. Colson, Samuel Shumate & Eliza Ann his wife, Job Colson, Thomas Col-
son, Flora Colson, Elizabeth Colson, Timothy Hobbs, George H. Hoskins, James
W. Orr, Marion D. Richmond, David Orr, William R. Graham, Champ Hamblin
John C. Harris, John P. Orr, Alexander Wynn, David M. Orr, William Ellist,
Alexander Orr, Elijah C. Bishop, John N. Wynn, Isaac T. Bishop, Chadwell Brittain
Alexander K. Brent, Cavender N. Robinson & Henry F. Robinson,
to appear before the Judge of our Circuit Court for Lee county, at the Court House,
in the Clerk's office, at Rules to be holden for the said Court, on the *1st.* Monday
in *March* next, to answer a bill in Chancery exhibited in our said Court,
against *them* by *John Colson, Arva Colson,*
David Colson (who sues by his next friend John Colson) Bailey
Shumate & Rebecca his wife & James F. Snellan & Rachael his wife

And have then there this writ. WITNESS, HENRY J. MORGAN, Clerk of our said
Court, at the Court House, this *26th.* day of *January* 1867, in the *91st.*
year of the Commonwealth.

Henry J. Morgan Clerk.

(S)

John Colson et als.

vs. Spa. in Chancery.

Henry Colson et als.

March Rules 1867.

February 18th 1867 -

Executed on all
of the defendants who
are residence of
this state, see my
former return ~~except~~,
the non residence
who are A. F. Robinson
Maunt Purcell and
wife Thos Colson David
Colson Noel Colson
A. K. Brink Dead,
Thos J. Brown, D.S.

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The Commonwealth of Virginia,

TO THE SHERIFF OF LEE COUNTY—GREETING:

WE ^{again} COMMAND YOU TO SUMMON *Henry Colson, Mount Puresfield & Mary his wife, Thomas Colson, Joel Colson, David James B. Colson, Joel Colson Jr., James C. Colson, Samuel Shumate & Eliza Ann his wife, Job Colson, Thomas Colson, Flora Colson, Elizabeth Colson, Timothy Hobbs, George H. Haskins, James H. Orr, Marion J. Richmond, David Orr, William R. Graham, Champ Hamblin, John C. Harris, John P. Orr, Alexander Wynn, David H. Orr, William Elliott, Alexander Orr, Elijah S. Bishop, John A. Wynn, Isaac S. Bishop, Chadwell Brittain, Alexander K. Brent, Lavender V. Robinson & Wendley F. Robinson* to appear before the Judge of our Circuit Court for Lee county, at the Court House, in the Clerk's office, at Rules to be holden for the said Court, on the *1st.* Monday in *March* next, to answer a bill in Chancery exhibited in our said Court, against *Them* by *John Colson, Arva Colson, David Colson (who sues by his next friend John Colson) Bailey Shumate & Rebecca his wife and James F. Snellan & Rachael his wife.*

And have then there this writ. WITNESS, HENRY J. MORGAN, Clerk of our said Court, at the Court House, this *26th.* day of *January* 1867, in the *91st.* year of the Commonwealth.

*A copy— Henry J. Morgan Clerk.
Teste— Henry J. Morgan Clerk.*

The Commonwealth of Virginia,

TO THE SHERIFF OF LEE COUNTY—GREETING:

WE COMMAND YOU TO SUMMON

Henry Colson, Mount Puryfield & Mary his wife, Thomas Colson, Asell Colson, David Colson, James B. Colson, Asell Colson Jr., James C. Colson, Samuel Shumate & Eliza Ann his wife, Job Colson, Thomas Colson, Flora Colson, Elizabeth Colson, Timothy Hobbs, George T. Huskins, James H. Orr, Marion D. Richmond, David Orr, William R. Graham, Champ Hamblin, John C. Harris, John P. Orr, Alexander Wynn, David M. Orr, William Elliott, Alexander Orr, Elijah S. Bishop, John A. Wynn, Isaac S. Bishop, Chadwell Brittain, Alexander K. Brent, Cavender N. Robinson & Hendley F. Robinson.

to appear before the Judge of our Circuit Court for Lee county, at the Court House, in the Clerk's office, at Rules to be holden for the said Court, on the *1st* Monday in *March* next, to answer ^{*an amended*} a bill in Chancery exhibited in our said Court, against *them*

by *John Colson, Arva Colson, David Colson, (who sues by his next friend John Colson, Bailey Shumate & Rebecca his wife & James F. Snellum & Rachael his wife.*

And have then there this writ. WITNESS, HENRY J. MORGAN, Clerk of our said Court, at the Court House, this *26th* day of *January* 1867, in the *91st*. year of the Commonwealth.

A copy ~ *Henry J. Morgan* Clerk.
Lester ~ *Henry J. Morgan* Clerk

The Commonwealth of Virginia,

TO THE SHERIFF OF LEE COUNTY—GREETING:

WE COMMAND YOU TO SUMMON,

Henry Colson, Mount Puryfield & Mary his wife, Thomas Colson, Joel Colson, David Colson, James B. Colson, Joel Colson Jr, James C. Colson, Samuel Shumate & Eliza Ann his wife, Job Colson, Thomas Colson, Flora Colson, Elizabeth Colson, Timothy Hobbs, George N. Hawkins, James H. Orr, Marion D. Richmond, David Orr, William R. Graham, Lehigh Hamblin, John C. Harris, John P. Orr, Alexander Wynn, David M. Orr, William Elliott, Alexander Orr, Elijah S. Bishop, John N. Wynn, Isaac S. Bishop, Chadwell Brittain, Alexander R. Brent, Cavender S. Robinson and Hendley S. Robinson.

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Lester Henry J. Morgan Clerk

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Thomas Colson, Noell Colson, David Colson, James B. Colson, Noell Colson Jr, James
C. Colson, Samuel Shumate & Eliza Ann his wife, Job Colson, Thomas Colson
Flora Colson, Elizabeth Colson, Timothy Hobbs, George A. Hoskins, James W.
Orr, Marion D. Richmond, David Orr, William R. Graham, Champ Stambler, John
L. Harris, John P. Orr, Alexander Wynn, David M. Orr, William Elliott, Alexan-
der Orr, Elijah S. Bishop, John T. Wynn, Isaac T. Bishop, Chadwell Brittain
Alexander H. Brent, Cavender A. Robinson & Hendley F. Robinson,*

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against *them*—

by *John Colson, Arva Colson, David
Colson (who sues by his next friend John Colson) Bailey Shumate
& Rebecca his wife & James F. Snellon & Rachael his wife*

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*A copy— Henry J. Morgan Clerk.
Test— Henry J. Morgan Clerk*

The Commonwealth of Virginia,

TO THE SHERIFF OF LEE COUNTY—GREETING!

WE COMMAND YOU TO SUMMON

*Henry Colson, Mount Pinefield (Mary his wife), Thomas Colson,
Noell Colson, David Colson, James B. Colson, Noell Colson Jr., James C. Colson,
Samuel Shumate (Eliza Ann his wife), Job Colson, Thomas Colson, Flora Colson,
Elizabeth Colson, Timothy Hobbs, George N. Watkins, James W. Orr, Marion D.
Richmond, David Orr, William R. Graham, Champ Hamblin, John C. Harris
John P. Orr, Alexander Wyner, David M. Orr, William Elliott, Alexander Orr, Elijah
A. Bishop, John A. Wyner, Isaac T. Bishop, Chadwell Brittain, Alexander R. Brent,
Cavender, R. Robinson, & Henry F. Robinson*
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& Rebecca his wife, and James F. Queller & Rachael his wife.*

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Lester Henry J. Morgan Clerk

The Commonwealth of Virginia,

TO THE SHERIFF OF LEE COUNTY—GREETING:

WE COMMAND YOU TO SUMMON *Henry Colson, Mount Sneyfield & Mary his wife,*
Thomas Colson, Nell Colson, David Colson, James B. Colson, Nell Colson,
James C. Colson, Samuel Shumate & Eliza Ann his wife, Job Colson, Thomas Colson, Flora
Colson, Elizabeth Colson, Timothy Hobbs, George S. Perkins, James H. Orr, Marion D.
Richmond, David Orr, William R. Graham, Lehigh Hamblin, John C. Harris,
John P. Orr, Alexander Thynn, David M. Orr, William Elliott, Alexander Orr, Elijah
B. Bishop, John N. Wynn, Isaac S. Bishop, Chadwell Brittain, Alexander R. Brent
Lawender S. Robinson & Hendley F. Robinson.
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in *March* next, to answer ^{*an amended*} a bill in Chancery exhibited in our said Court,
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Shumate & Rebecca his wife & James F. Snellan & Rachael his
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Test ~ Henry J. Morgan Clerk

The Commonwealth of Virginia,

TO THE SHERIFF OF LEE COUNTY—GREETING:

WE COMMAND YOU TO SUMMON *Henry Colson, Mount Perryfield & Mary his wife, Thomas Colson, Noell Colson, David Colson, James B. Colson, Noell Colson Jr, James C. Colson, Samuel Shumate & Eliza Ann his wife, J. C. Colson, Thomas C. Colson, Flora Colson, Elizabeth Colson, Timothy Hobbs, George J. Huskins, James H. Orr, Marion S. Richmond, David Orr, William R. Graham, Champ Hamblin, John C. Harris, John P. Orr, Alexander Hynn, David M. Orr, William Elliott, Alexander Orr, Elijah S. Bishop, John A. Wynn, Isaac S. Bishop, Chadwell Brittain, Alexander K. Brent, Cavender S. Robinson & Hendley S. Robinson*

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by *John Colson, Arva Colson, David Colson (who sues by his next friend John Colson) Bailey Shumate & Rebecca his wife, and James F. Snellan & Rachael his wife.*

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A copy Henry J. Morgan Clerk.
Teste Henry J. Morgan Clerk

The Commonwealth of Virginia,

TO THE SHERIFF OF LEE COUNTY—GREETING:

WE COMMAND YOU TO SUMMON *Henry Colson, Mount Percyfield & Mary his wife,*
Thomas Colson, Noell Colson, David Colson, Jas. B. Colson, Noell Colson Jr
James C. Colson, Samuel Shumate & Eliza Ann his wife, Job Colson, Thomas Colson,
Flora Colson, Elizabeth Colson, Timothy Hobbs, George T. Hoskins, James W. Orr
Marion D. Richmond, David Orr, William R. Graham, Lehigh Hamblin
John C. Harris, John P. Orr, Alexander Wynn, David M. Orr, William Elliott
Alexander Orr, Elijah S. Bishop, John A. Wynn, Isaac S. Bishop,
Chadwell Smith, Alexander K. Bishop, Ravender M. Robinson & Handley F. Robinson,
to appear before the Judge of our Circuit Court for Lee county, at the Court House,
in the Clerk's office, at Rules to be holden for the said Court, on the *1st* Monday
in *March* next, to answer ^{*an amended*} a bill in Chancery exhibited in our said Court,
against *them* ————— by *John Colson, Arva Colson,*
David Colson (who sues by his next friend John Colson) Bailey
Shumate and Rebecca his wife, and James F. Snellin and
Joseph
Rebecca his wife.

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Teste — Henry J. Morgan Clerk.

The Commonwealth of Virginia,

TO THE SHERIFF OF LEE COUNTY—GREETING:

WE COMMAND YOU TO SUMMON *Henry Colson, Mount Purcellfield & Mary his wife, Thomas Colson, Noell Colson, David Colson, James B. Colson, Noell Colson Jr, James L. Colson, Samuel Shumate & Eliza Ann his wife, Job Colson, Thomas Colson, Flora Colson, Elizabeth Colson, Timothy Hobbs, Keigert. Rockine, James W. Orr, Mariowd, Richmond, David Orr, William R. Graham, Champ Hamblin, John C. Harris, John P. Orr, Alexander Wynn, David M. Orr, William Elliott, Alexander Orr, Elijah S. Bishop, John A. Wynn, Isaac T. Bishop, Chadwell Brittain, Alexander K. Brent, Leuender A. Robinson, Hendley F. Robinson* to appear before the Judge of our Circuit Court for Lee county, at the Court House, in the Clerk's office, at Rules to be holden for the said Court, on the *1st* Monday in *March* next, to answer ^{*an amended*} a bill in Chancery exhibited in our said Court, against *Them* by *John Colson, Anna Colson, David Colson (who sues by his next friend John Colson) Bailey Shumate & Rebecca his wife & James F. Snellin & Rachael his wife.*

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A copy—

Henry J. Morgan

Clerk.

Testen

Henry J. Morgan Clerk

VIRGINIA :

WASHINGTON COUNTY, TO WIT :

I do hereby certify that the annexed Notice has been published
ending March 15. 1867
four weeks successively in the "ABINGDON VIRGINIAN," a
newspaper published in the town of Abingdon, Va. Given
under my hand this *16th* day of *March* 186*7*

Geo. W. Barr,
Jr. Ed. "Virginian".

VIRGINIA—At Rules held in the Clerk's office of the Circuit Court of Lee County, on Monday, the 4th day of February, 1867: John Colson, Arva Colson, David Colson (who sues by his next friend, John Colson,) Bailey Shumate and Rebecca his wife, and Jas. F. Snellan and Rachel his wife, Plaintiffs,

AGAINST

Henry Colson, Mount Percyfield and Mary his wife, Thomas Colson, Noel Colson, David Colson, James B. Colson, Noel Colson, jr., James Colson, Samuel Shumate and Eliza Ann his wife, Job Colson, Thomas Colson, Flora Colson, Elizabeth Colson, Timothy Hobbs, George H. Hoskins, James W. Orr, Marion D. Richmond, David Orr, William R. Graham, Champ Hamblen, John C. Harris, John P. Orr, Alexander Wynn, David M. Orr, William Elliott, Alexander Orr, Elijah S. Bishop, John N. Wynn, Isaac T. Bishop, Chadwell Britain, Alexander K. Brent, Covender N. Robinson and Hendley F. Robinson, Defendants.

IN CHANCERY.

The object of this suit is to obtain a Decree of the Court pronouncing a certain Deed in the Bill, and amended Bill mentioned null and void, and to have a settlement of the account of James B. and William E. Colson, Administrators of John Colson, dec'd; and likewise a settlement of the administration account of James W. Orr, Administrator of said William E. Colson, dec'd; and also for an equitable distribution, among the parties, of the proceeds of the said estates, having reference to advancements made to some of the parties by John Colson, dec'd, in his lifetime: And it appearing from evidence filed, that Mary Percyfield, Mount Percyfield, Thomas Colson, David Colson, James Colson and Hendley F. Robinson, are non-residents of this Commonwealth, they are therefore ordered to appear here within one month after due publication of this order, and do what is necessary to protect their interests in this suit.

Teste, HENRY J. MORGAN, Ck.

Feb. 22, 1867—4w

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VIRGINIA :

WASHINGTON COUNTY, TO WIT :

I do hereby certify that the annexed Notice has been published
four weeks successively, ending *April 12th* 1867,
in the "ABINGDON VIRGINIAN," a newspaper published in the
town of Abingdon, Va. Given under my hand this *17th*
day of *April*, 1867.

Geo. R. Barr,
Jr. Ed. "Virginian".

VIRGINIA—At Rules held in the Clerk's
office of the Circuit Court of Lee county,
on Monday, the 4th day of February, 1867:

John Colson, Arva Colson, David Colson (who
sues by his next friend, John Colson, (Bat-
ley Shumate and Rebecca his wife, and Jas.
F. Suelian and Rachel his wife, Plaintiffs,
AGAINST

Henry Colson, Mount Pureyfield and Mary
his wife, Thomas Colson, Noel Colson, Da-
vid Colson, James B. Colson, Noel Colson,
jr., James Colson, Samuel Shumate and
Eliza Ann his wife, Job Colson, Thomas
Colson, Flora Colson, Elizabeth Colson, Ti-
mothy Hobbs, George H. Hoskins, James
W. Orr, Marion D. Richmond, David Orr,
William R. Graham, Champ Humblen, Jno.
C. Harris, John P. Orr, Alexander Wynn,
David M. Orr, William Elliott, Alexander
Orr, Elijah S. Bishop, John N. Wynn,
Isaac T. Bishop, Chadwell Britain, Alexan-
der K. Bent, Covender N. Robinson and
Hendley F. Robinson, Defendants.

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the Bill, and amended Bill mentioned null
and void, and to have a settlement of the ac-
count of James B. and William E. Colson, Ad-
ministrators of John Colson, dec'd; and like-
wise a settlement of the administration ac-
count of James W. Orr, Administrator of said
William E. Colson, dec'd; and also for an
equitable distribution among the parties, of
the proceeds of the said estates, having refer-
ence to advancements made to some of the
parties by John Colson, dec'd, in his lifetime:
And it appearing from evidence filed, that
Mary Pureyfield, Mount Pureyfield, Thomas
Coleon, Noel Colson, David Colson, James
Colson and Hendley F. Robinson, are non-
residents of this Commonwealth, they are
therefore ordered to appear here within one
month after due publication of this order, and
do what is necessary to protect their interests
in this suit. Teste.

HENRY J. MORGAN, Clk.

March 22, 1867—4w

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VIRGINIA:

WASHINGTON COUNTY, TO WIT:

I do hereby certify that the annexed Notice has been published
four weeks successively, ending *April 12th*, 1867,
in the "ABINGDON VIRGINIAN," a newspaper published in the
town of Abingdon, Va. Given under my hand this *13th*
day of *April*, 1867.

Geo. W. Barr,
Jr. Ed "Virginian"

VIRGINIA—At Rules held in the Clerk's
office of the Circuit Court of Lee county,
on Monday, the 4th day of February, 1867:
John Colson, Arva Colson, David Colson (who
sues by his next friend, John Colson, (Ba-
iley Shumate and Rebecca his wife, and Jas.
F. Swellan and Rachel his wife, Plaintiffs,
AGAINST

Henry Colson, Mount Pureyfield and Mary
his wife, Thomas Colson, Noel Colson, Da-
vid Colson, James B. Colson, Noel Colson,
jr., James Colson, Samuel Shumate and
Eliza Ann his wife, Job Colson, Thomas
Colson, Flora Colson, Elizabeth Colson, Ti-
mothy Hobbs, George H. Hoskins, James
W. Orr, Marice D. Richmond, David Orr,
William R. Graham, Champ Hamblen, Jno.
C. Harris, John P. Orr, Alexander Wynn,
David M. Orr, William Elliott, Alexander
Orr, Elijah S. Bishop, John N. Wynn,
Isaac T. Bishop, Chadwell Britain, Alexan-
der K. Bent, Covender N. Robinson and
Hendley F. Robinson. Defendants.

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ministrators of John Colson, dec'd; and like-
wise a settlement of the administration ac-
count of James W. Orr, Administrator of said
William E. Colson, dec'd; and also for an
equitable distribution among the parties, of
the proceeds of the said estates, having refer-
ence to advancements made to some of the
parties by John Colson, dec'd, in his lifetime:
And it appearing from evidence filed, that
Mary Pureyfield, Mount Pureyfield, Thomas
Colson, Noel Colson, David Colson, James
Colson and Hendley F. Robinson, are non-
residents of this Commonwealth, they are
therefore ordered to appear here within one
month after due publication of this order, and
do what is necessary to protect their interests
in this suit. Te-te.

HENRY J. MORGAN, Clk.

March 22, 1867—4w

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VIRGINIA:

WASHINGTON COUNTY, TO WIT:

I do hereby certify that the annexed Notice has been published
four weeks successively, ending *29th March* 1867,
in the "ABINGDON VIRGINIAN," a newspaper published in the
town of Abingdon, Va. Given under my hand this *29th*
day of *March*, 1867.

Geo. N. Barr
Jr Eds "Virginian"

*Mary Percifield, Mount Percifield, Thomas
Colson, Noel Colson, David Colson, and Jas.
Colson,*

TAKE notice that, on the 18th day of
April, 1867, at the house of Peggy
Ely, in Lee county, in the State of Virgi-
nia, we will take the depositions of Wil-
liam Martin and others, to be read as evi-
dence on behalf of the complainants in the
trial of the suit in chancery, in the Lee
Circuit Court, in which we are complain-
ants, and you and others, are defendants;
and take notice that, if from any cause we
should be unable to finish taking all of said
depositions on that day, the taking thereof
will be adjourned and continued from day
to day, and from time to time, and from
place to place, until all are taken. Feb-
ruary 18th, 1867..

Yours respectfully.

JOHN COLSON,
ARVEY COLSON,
DAVID COLSON,
REBECCA SHUEMATE,
BAILESS SHUEMATE,
RACHEL SNELLING,
JAMES F. SNELLING.

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